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PROF. W. S. SCARBOROUGH'S VIEWS

Virginians Jolt the Lily Whites—Methodist Bishops in Protest—Dr. Lucy E. Moten to Attend Educators' Convention.

(Thompson's National News Bureau.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 22.—The establishment of the Taft Renomination Bureau in this city has stiffened the backbone of the adherents of President Taft, both white and black. It is understood now that an aggressive campaign is to be waged all along the line. There is unirsal satisfaction over the selection of the Hon. William B. McKinley as manager of the bureau. He is widely known amoung our people by reason of his long service as chairman of the congressional campaign committee, and his appearance at the head of the Taft bureau is a positive guarantee to the rank and file of the Negro workers that there will be a "square deal" for them. He is known to be broad-gauged, experienced in the art of handling men and free from prejudice of any kind, acknowledging no criterion save merit, efficiency and absolute honesty. He knows the difference between grafters and the "real goods," and while willing at all times to treat with those who have suggestions of value to offer, it will not be wise for professional "fourflushers" to invade the secret precincts of the Raleigh hotel with schemes that will not bear the "acid test" to which they are sure to be subjected. In enlisting Mr. McKinley in this important work, President Taft and Secretary Hilles showed political acumen of the highest order, for the genial chairman enjoys the confidence of both wings of the party and will carry to the Chicago convention a big Taft majority and inspire a harmony that will unite "progressive" and whatnot in support of the nominee. All classes and all factions are visiting the headquarters daily, giving assurances of their willingness to cooperate in the movement for Taft's renomination, and letters from all parts of the country indicate a healthful state of affairs.

Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, noted for his keenness of vision and conservatism of statement, has returned from a trip to St. Louis and points in the Middle West says:

"I find that opposition to President Taft is fast diminishing and that he is gaining strength every day. This is due to the fact that the people are studying his record and find it full of achievements and wise action. There is satisfaction over the accomplishments of his administration. If there is one man who deserves well of his countrymen, it is President Taft. I have no doubt that he will be renominated. Of his re-election next November, I am confident to the fullest degree."

President Scarborough on "The Situation."

In proof of the fact that Secretary MacVeagh has "sized up" the situation correctly, not only from the standpoint of the white man, but from that of the intelligent colored people as well, here is a statement from Prof. W. S. Scarborough, president of Wilberforce University, who has known President Taft personally for many years. At the White House a few days ago, Prof. Scarborough said:

"President Taft will get Ohio's vote for renomination and he will carry the State against any candidate the Democrats may put up, not excepting Mr. Harmon. I know that President Taft is deeply interested in the welfare of the colored people of this country. He will grow upon the voters everywhere when his splendid labors for us are properly emphasized through the press and from the stump. All that is needed is a strong 'campaign of education' among the colored people, and an appeal to the sober judgment of the thinking classes.

Virginians "Jolt" the "Lily-Whites."

In the first round in handling the delicate situation existing between the Negroes and the "lily-white" element of the party, Chairman McKinley showed himself to be on the right side. Last Saturday a delegation of Virginia colored leaders called at the White House and entered a protest to President Taft against the action of the Republican organization in excluding them from participation in the federal office-holding of the State and from the councils of the party. The visitors gave out the following statement, not mincing words in giving vent to their views:

"The business of making the colored man furnish all the votes and giving all the offices to the white man must stop. There are barely enough white Republicans around Norfolk and in other parts of Virginia to fill the federal offices, and now it is proposed to send twenty-four white men to the Chicago convention, ignoring the colored men altogether. It is getting so that even in precinct meetings colored men are excluded. Now we do not propose to stand for that. We are going to break over and make trouble. If they do not give us a square deal, we will send twenty-four colored delegates to Chicago, or at least colored delegates from all the congressional districts except the ninth. This 'lily-white' business is getting on our nerves."

The President gave the delegation a cordial hearing, and at the conclusion of the statement presented, he referred them to Mr. McKinley, who he thought would go over the matter thoroughly with them. The interview with Mr. McKinley was eminently satisfactory. The complaints were threshed out asd the visitors assured the chairman that they had nothing against President Taft, but did not like the tactics of the Taft managers in Virginia. Mr. McKinley gave the gentlemen a guarantee that they would be given the "square deal" contended for, and they departed for their homes in "high feather." The Virginia State convention will be held at Roanoke next month, and the result will go far toward establishing a precedent by which other southern States will act in adjusting the race issue.

The delegation which came up from Norfolk was made up of W. H. C. Brown, R. G. L. Paige, Dr. G. Jarvis Bowens, C. S. Carter, E. M. Canady, all of Norfolk, and Attorneys Thomas L. Jones and L. M. King, who live in Washington, bet vote in Virginia.

Methodist Bishops in Protest.

The Council of Bishops of the A. M. E. church, in session last week in Baltimore, took strong ground against lynching, disfranchisement and other evils from which the Negro race suffers in this country. The Bishops adopted a declaration that they were "most vigorously engaged in the furthering of all means and movement looking forward to the removal of all discriminating and humiliating disabilities under which, as a people, we have been forced to live and labor."

The council recommended that four new Bishops be elected in May to take the places of Bishops E. W. Lampton, James A. Handy, Abraham Grant and Wesley J. Gaines, who have died during the last two years. Many prominent churchmen were present at the meeting of the council.

Delegate Pegg Honored by "Standardizers."

At the seventh annual conference on weights and measures of the United States, there was one colored delegate, a Mr. Pegg, who has been for the past six years the sealer for the city of Omaha, Neb. So far as is known, he is the only colored delegate who has ever attended the annual conference on weights and measures. He came armed with credentials from the Governor of Nebraska, and so won the favor of the organization that it suspended the rules, created the office of sergeant-at-arms and elected Mr. Pegg to the same by a unanimous vote. The occasion was somewhat hilarious, because of the unusual happening, and following his installation, Mr. Pegg made a speech of appreciation which for cleverness and felicity had not been equalled during the sitting of the body. Dr. S. W. Stratton, director of the Bureau of Standards, is president, and the delegates were received and addressed by President Taft at the White House at the close of the conference.

National Benefit Association as Host.

The Home Office Agents' Club of the National Benefit Association, the strongest insurance corporation carried on by our people in this section of the country, gave a magnificent reception and banquet Monday night at the Metropolitan A. M. E. church for 250 resident and visiting ministers, professional business men and their wives. The exercises in the main auditorium, embracing information concerning the organization, its achievements and future, together with a musical program, were enjoyed by a large audience. The principal address was delivered by Judge Robert H. Terrell, of the municipal court. Dr. R. W. Brown is president of the National Benefit Association, and Mr. S. W. Rutherford is general secretary. The association owns the valuable building at 609 F street, northwest, and has assets worth upwards of $100,000.

Dr. Lucy E. Moten to Attend Educators' Convention.

Among those of our race to take part in the meeting of the department of superintendence of the National Education Association at St. Louis next week is Dr. Lucy E. Moten, principal of Normal School No. 2 of this city. Dr. Moten has been at the head of the work of training teachers here for over twenty-five years and is regarded throughout the country as a standard authority on normal school methods. She has brought the colored normal school of Washington up to a high state of efficiency and her graduates are found in every section of the land, all doing well. Hon. P. P. Claxton, United States Commissioner of Education, will preside. Dr. W. M. Davidson, superintendent of Washington's public schools, will also attend. Dr. Moten will be in a position to throw much light upon the condition, progress and possibilities of Negro education at this meeting. She is one of the race's most brilliant and cultured women and is certain to give an excellent account of herself in this august tssemblage of educators.

Dr. Shepard Talks of Ministerial Conference.

Dr. James E. Shepard, who stopped over en route homeward from a successful tour of New England in the interest of the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., is sanguine over the prospects of the forthcoming ministerial conference, set for the week beginning July 5. Replies received from leading ministers of every denomination, representing every section of the country, assure a big gathering at the school in July, and makes certain an illuminating discussion of topics of vital concern to the people of the nation, white and colored.

Among the many brilliant lecturers who will take part in the proceedings of the week are Dr. Jesse L. Hurlburt, of New York, a noted Bible scholar; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois and Prof. Kelly Miller. That they speak witr authority on matters that touch the race, goes without the saying. Said Dr. Shepard to your correspondent:

"I cannot but feel gratified over the readiness with which the most influential ministers of the race are taking hold of this movement to look into the general condition of our people, with a view of remedying some of the evils that menace our civic and moral advancement. Our thoughtful men have long needed to have an opportunity to have a heart-to-heart talk over the vital issues that affect our progress, and this conference is designed to supply this long-felt want under the most favorable circumstances. I feel that the meeting will be of vast benefit to all who come, and to the people to whom they will carry the results that grow out of the candid exchange of views. I am anxious that all ministers who plan to be with us will write me at once, so that the necessary preparations for their accommodation can be made. They will be the guests of the school, without cost of any kind."

Some of the questions to be discussed, according to Dr. Shepard, are:

What is the moral condition of our people in your community?

What is the sanitary condition—housing, general health and death rate?

What effort, if any, has been made to improve the sanitary conditions?

Is crime on the increase?

If not, what was the cause of its reduction?

To what extent do you co-operate with the civic improvement leagues, the Y. M. C. A., and similar uplifting agencies?

Has social settlement work, to any extent, been conducted in your community? If so, with what results?

Dr. Shepard is announced to speak in this city March 26, before the famous Bethel Literary and Historical Association. His theme will be "Religious Training, the Hope of the Negro Race." This promises to be one of the biggest meetings of the season. It is already attracting city-wide attention.

In Theatrical Circles.

"My Friend From Dixie," with J. Leubrie Hill, Evon Robinson, Lillian Bradford, R. W. Shelton, William Brown and a host of entertainers, is putting in a big week at the Howard theater.

The semi-weekly change of acts is having a good effect, both in interesting the regular theater goers, and in making the performers "smoke up" and learn a few things they ought to know.

Frank Montgomery and his dainty wife, Miss Florence McClain, may organize a small stock company for the production of a series of playlets as afterpieces at the Howard. This is a feature in which Manager Thomas is deeply interested, and if Mr. Montgomery can get together the proper material, he will have no difficulty in convincing Mr. Thomas that he ought to be given a trial. A twenty-minute playlet, with opportunities for serious acting, would take big with the Howard audiences.

Joe Sandifer and Ora Criswell are "putting 'em over" at the Fairyland, and Green and Payne are giving a gilt-edge show at the Foraker.

The Chelsea, which has had a tempestuous career, has been reopened by Beverly and Adams, and is drawing admirably. Perhaps the jink has been driven away.

Hudnell's and the Hiawatha are holding their own with the up-town crowds. The Minnehaha remains "dark."

Miss Florence M. Tyson, the affable cashier, has had her her hands full all this week, but she never loses her winsome poise, and treats all comers with gracious attention. She is one of the hardest working members of Manager Thomas' capable staff of assistants, and is a positive asset to the house.

Lawrence Caldwell is the new musical director at the Howard.

Dr. Washington to Tour Florida.

Dr. Booker T. Washington is looking forward to an unusually successful tour of Florida, which he will undertake early next month, under the direction of M. M. Lewey, editor of the Florida Sentinel, and president of the Florida State Business League, as well as president of the National Negro Press Association. Register J. C. Napier, of this city, will be a member of the party.

The Business League Herald, a publication in the interest of the National Negro Business League, is to be launched at Tuskegee at an early date.

The News in a Nut-Shell.

All the delegates chosen so far to the Chicago convention are for Taft.

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Rev. W. P. Gibbons, Ph. D., for many years pastor of the Mt. Carmel Baptist church, Fourth and L streets, northwest, is dead. His funeral took place Monday.

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A new law firm, made up of Robert A. Pelham, S. J. Davidson and B. A. Jackson, has hung out its shingle in the Dietz building, Seventh and F streets, northwest. All are graduates of the law department of Howard University.

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John Brown, an old colored man who has been employed as a laborer-fireman about the Capitol since 1865, and whom no sergeant-at-arms was ever able to "fire," is at last off the government's payroll. He responded to death's summons last week to the regret of a lot of statesmen, whose grates he had kept cheerful for lo these many years.

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Georgia divided her delegates and alternates at large evenly between the races, setting a fine example to the other States of the South. The delegates at large are C. P. Goree, Henry Lincoln Johnson, H. S. Jackson and B. J. Davis. The alternates are William Driskell, R. R. Wright, E. J. Turner and W. H. Harris. Johnson, Davis, Driskell and Wright are colored. The State is solid for Taft. Henry Lincoln Johnson was accorded the honor of presiding over the convention as permanent chairman.

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Bert Williams, the race's highest salaried comedian, is at the National next week with Ziegfeld's "Follies of 1911." He is to be banqueted by the men of the city, headed by Lieut. Walter A. Pinchback.

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The Twenty-fourth Infantry sailed from 'Frisco on the 5th for the Philippines.

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Capt. Charles Young has gone on to his post in Liberia.

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Judge Robert H. Terrell was royally received in New York, where he spoke on "Frederick Douglass" last week under the auspices of the Vigilant Committee, of which Gilchrist Stewart is the official head.

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Mrs. Portia Washington Pittman has returned from a visit to her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Booker T. Washington, at Tuskegee Institute.

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Representative Caleb Powers, of Kentucky is to get a "loving cup" in recognition of his valiant services in behalf of the commutation of the sentence of Mattie Lomax. The movement is headed by Rev. Simon P. W. Drew.

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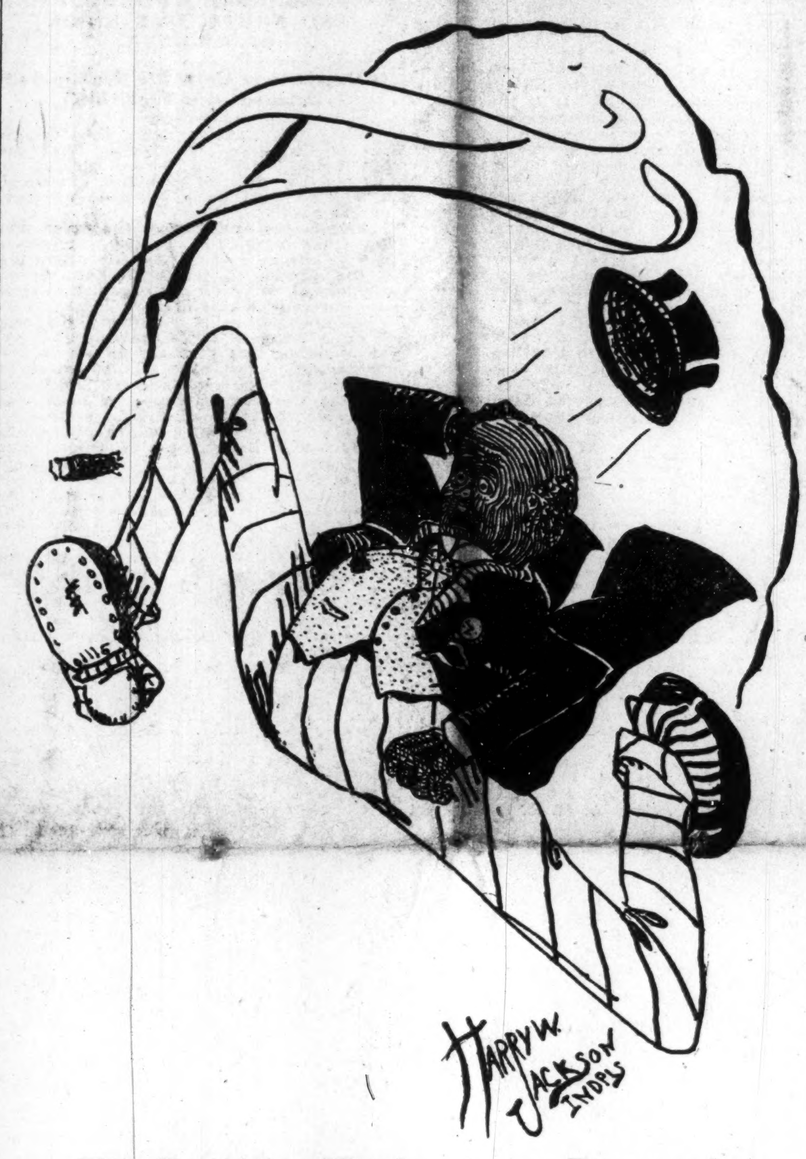
Mrs. Ella W. Dunham, a former wife of Major John R. Lynch, has brought suit in equity to recover the residence in this city which she is said to have owned before her marriage to Major Lynch, and which was pct in the latter's name shortly after the wedding.

R. W. THOMPSON..

THE LEAP YEAR MARATHON



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PAST WEEK AT LOUISVILLE

THE COMIG PYTHIAN SESSION AT BOWLING GREEN

BUSINESS LEAGUE ELECT OFFICERS

An Influx of Mining Stock Promoters—Successful Pre-Lenten Festival—Royal Welcome Extended Cary B. Lewis.

By Lee L. Brown.
(1006 West Chestnut Street.)

LOUISVILE, Ky., Special.

Although it might be a litte early, yet we want to say a word in reference to the coming Pythian session at Bowling Green which promises to be one of the most interesting in the history of the organization on account of several candidates who are in the field for Grand Chancellorship. One candidate Mr. B. F. Johnson of this city who has been advocating his cause, has withdrawn from the race on account of his being elected as National Grand Master of another Fraternal organization. This leaves Sir Knight Diggs of Frankfort, Ky., Sir Knight Garvin and the present Chancellor, Prof. H. Francis Jones of Henderson, Ky. Each one of these contestants will have their own following. We wish to state frankly that we do not believe that there should be a contest at all, Prof. oJnes should be permitted to serve out his fourth year just as the others have done who have held the office before him. Throwing away all personal feelings, you must give him the credit for having done great work in the order. 2nd, Jones should be permitted to finish the proposed Pythian Temple to be erected in this city. We do not believe that another should be elected in his place carrying away the honor which would be the result of his hard work. We hope to be on the ground at the Bowling Green session, hear the nominations and listen to the final count. We congratulate the young men for their ambition in trying to rise to the highest honor in the Pythian Lodge, yet believe that if they stood today in the same place that the present Cchancellor stands that they would decide with us to that he should hold the place. Prof. Jones has not asked us to express our opinion, but we were reminded of the fact on account of several letters that we have received during the past ten days in reference to the matter.

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The local Negro Business League elected the following officers last Week: Mr. Thos. F. Parks, president; Rev. C. H. Parrish, vice president; Dr. P. R. Peters, secretary; Mr. W. Davis, treasurer; Mr. W. T. Garnette, corresponding secretary; Mr. William H. Steward, chairman of executive committee; Mr. Jas. F. Grey, vice chairman, and Mr. Thos. Ttate, secretary. Let all hands join together and try to make this administration the best in the history of the organization. Throw away all bickerings and strive to work together for the best interest of the Negro business men of the league. So much time is lost in wrangling in many of our organizations that very little time is left for real work. Life is too short to waste our time in trying to get even with each other.

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For the past three months Louisville has been filled with promoters, colored and white, all having mining stock for sale. eW have listened to the various arguments advanced by the promoters as to the reason why we should purchase shares in the several companies that these promoters mean business. We wish in the meantime to sound the worning to the many persons who are ready to purchase stock without a thorough investigation. The chances are that in some cases the hard-earned dollars of some poor widow will be lost forever. We have not much faith in the so-called mines so far away from us that we cannot visit the places. A glance at Leslies Weekly of the 17th would convince a number of buyers that all things that glitters is not gold. Strange to say that some of our leading citizens will purchase stocks in mines located so far away when there is the Norfolk Coal Mining Company, located in Morgan county, where we could investigate by spending only a few dollars for railroad fare. This company has been offering its shares on the market for the past three months. They have their offices located in Lexington, Ky. Again we wish to say, be careful, be thoughtful and be sure you are right before you risk so much money in stocks. The world is filled with wild-cat schemes that are being put out of business every year for using the mails to defraud buyers.

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One of the most unique, delightful and successful pre-lenten festivities was that of the leap year dance given last week by Misses Duvaul, Calbert and White, at the new U. B. F. hall (away from the noise of the thoroughfare). The reception was given in the afternoon, about ninety guests were present, and ices and punch were served. The dance was given from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m. In past years the society folk have always looked forward to the Normal or Cane Club dance as the leading social event of the season. For many weeks these ladies have worked silently among themselves arranging all of the details necessary to make the affair the grandest of the season. Nearly two hundred invitations were sent out. The ladies announced they all were expected to look their best, the gentlemen were expected to wear full dress suits, the tailors were kept busy pressing suits for the occasion, while the dressmakers worked overtime in order to have the very beautiful gowns ready in time. The guests arrived at the appointed hour filled with anxiety to know what was in store for them. The dance hall was decorated with beautiful red hearts and festoons. Hand-painted placques hung on the walls. Great fun was enjoyed by the fact that it was a leap year dance, giving the ladies an opportunity to select their own partners with which to trip the light fantastic. Every fourth dance was a leap year dance. It seemed that at every moment some new feature was introduced, which was highly enjoyed by all. At one time the ladies and gentlemen formed a heart, with Miss White and Mr. Will Evans leading. At another time Miss Calbert with a waiter filled with hand-painted hearts, presented each gentleman with one of these artistic souvenirs, which contained the name of a lady which he had been selected to dance with. Never before have such beautiful gowns been worn by our young ladies. The music was furnished by the well-known Wickliffe orchestra. The musical selections were the latest. The dance was high class in every respect. Every lady and gentleman seemed to be students of Lord Chesterfield. Space will not permit us to describe the very beautiful gowns worn by the fair sex or to tell of all the delightful novelties introduced during the evening. It seemed as if those who were present would ask the question when some new novelty was introduced: What next? Another feature that was well received and especially appealed to the inner man was the delightful repast that was served. The Freeman's representative was a little late in receiving his invitation and for this reason we will not be able to give the names of those present. The next leading event on the social calendar will be the Normal dance, after which follows the Cane Club dance. Louisville society is now in the midst of her social season. Quite a number of visitors are in the city enjoying the many receptions that are being given in true, old Kentucky season.

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Kentucky, and especially Louisville, is glad to welcome Cary B. Lewis, who is the managing editor of the Illinois Chronicle. Cary is having the time of his life. He has visited all the places of interest, and never gets tired talking about pournalism. We are always glad to have our Kentucky sons return home. They are scattered all over the United States, and they usually make good in whatever profession they engage in.

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Cary B. Lewis is in town. "Nuff said." He is having the time of his life.

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Mrs. P. G. Reese, of West Chestnut, who has been confined to her bed for some time, is reported to be much better at this writing.

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The following is the program of the Book Review, to be held at the Colored Branch library, February 23. Overon—Half a Man, by Rev. C. B. Allen; Kobbe, Famous American Songs, by Miss Mildred Bryant; Rice, Mr. Opp, Miss Emma Lee Claybrooks; A Story, by Prof. J. S. Cotter.

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Quite a complaint has gone out recently about the treatment towards colored persons by some of the local white accident insurance companies. It is said that very often when a local physician will send in sick certificates that they are not recognized by the company and that the patient will very often lose the payments due them. It is understood that the Falls City Medical Association will take up the matter and suggest a remedy.

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Louisville for the Semi-Centennial Exposition in 1913.

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The Colored Dunbar Literary Club, composed of colored letter carriers, will hold a special meeting in the near future relative to the best methods towards securing the exposition for Louisville. These young men are ever on the alert to be of service to the race in general.

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The Smart Set is in town, playing at the Walnut Street theater. A number of the players will never forget Louisville. Sunday night a number of them filled up on Old Kentucky joy water, the result being that they were forced to say on Monday mornin, "Good morning, Judge."

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Louisville for the Semi-Centennial Exposition in 1913.

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Let all Kentucky join hands in trying to bring to this state the great semi-Centennial Exposition. Atlanta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., and New Orleans are our greatest opponents for the honor. We must all get busy and by all means bring to this city the metropolis of the State this exposition. Kentucky is the gate way to the South. The great Perry Centennial will be held in this city next year, several other great gatherings of national fame will be brought here; Louisville is easily reached from all parts of the United States. Senator W. O. Bradley, who was in the city last week, believes that the exposition should be held in Louisville. We call upon the Kentucky colony in Washington to use every influence to assist in brining to our old Kentucy home this great gathering.

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Last, but not least, let us boost for "Dear Old Kentucky," for the great Semi-Centennial Exposition in 1913.

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There will be a special matinee Friday afternoon at the Lyre theater in honor of S. H. Dudley and the members of the Smart Set. Some of the lading thatrical stars around the Falls City will take a part in the program.

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It rained mardi-gras night. The chief of police sent out an edict that all persons wearing masks caught parading the streets should be promptly arrested and the officers did not forget to carry out the chief's orders. The result was that quite a number of persons were brought before the bar of justice to answer to a charge of disorderly conduct.

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Mrs. Hattie Dale, of 321 East Green street, and Mrs. Minnie Foree, of 315 South Hancock street, wants the public to know that they are not members of the Champlain Girls' Club, and will not be present on February 20, at their entertainment. The officers of that club should have consulted us before using our names as we are not members of the church and take no active part in such. Yours respectfully, Mrs. M. Foree.

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We understand that Lawyer Harper's "Tallyboo," which has made such a hit in Chicago, will pass through this city in a few days on a tour of eastern cities. Lawyer Harper should be congratulated upon his presentation of this very excellent play that has brought down a storm of applauses from both the theater going public and the press.

A NOTABLE CLINIC

Dr. Daniel Williams In Charge—Drs. Stewart and Boyd and Others Valuable Aids.

By Cary B. Lewis.

NASHVILLE, Feb. 12 (Special).—Fifteen years ago, Dr. Daniel H. Williams, the eminent surgeon and physician of Chicago, opened a small clinic for the benefit of the Meharry medical students. From that time until now the work has crystalized into one of the most important medical meetings that takes place in the South. On his annual visits one week is given to the internes of the hospital, and those doctors of the city and elsewhere who desire to attend and become benefited by practical illustration and treatment. Here they are given every oportunity of coming into immediate contact with a master mind and hand in surgery.

The one this year was the most notable in the history of the institution. Thirty-seven major operations were performed with skill and technique and when the Chicago surgeon left for his home every patient was doing nicely and a bright outlook for a speedy recovery. Dr. Williams was assisted by Dr. F. A. Stewart, who holds the chair of surgery at Meharry. Dr. R. F. Boyd, a member of the faculty, and one of the leading surgeons of the South; Dr. J. A. McMillan, Dr. J. H. Hale, Dr. H. T. Noel; anaesthetics by Dr. G. H. Bandy. The internes that assisted were J. T. Givens, Samuel Cottrell, Samuel Utley and Mrs. Francis. The nurses handling the instruments and assisting were Misses Minnie D. Woodard, Mattie D. Fletcher and Eliza Farrish.

Dr. Williams found that the surgical department had developed to a high point of efficiency and that the new Hubbard hospital was in a splendid condition. The operating room was large, complete in every detail for work, plenty of light, having a seating capacity for over a hundred students. The students assembled in the operating room at 9 o'clock every morning and listened to Drs. Williams, Stewart and Boyd on surgical lectures and quizzed the students on the same. The patient was brought in and was operated on within the sight of each student.

All the advanced methods of surgery were used on the cases which were major operations. Modern methods of administering anaesthesia was done by Dr. G. H. Bandy. Every case was an interesting one. Each patient was properly prepared by Miss C. C. Hunt, the head nurse, and her assistants under the supervision of Dr. J. E. Wells, superintendent of the hospital.

That Hubbard hospital and Meharry College are becoming the medical center of the South was demonstrated by the number of physicians and surgeons who were present, bringnig cases for operation from the States of Kentucky, Tennessee, Georgia and Alabama. So thoroughly is the work being done that at the close of the school year Dr. Stewart and Dr. Boyd will have charge of a post-graduate course and the information being given out that northern schools no longer offer such advantages to colored men, Meharry will be the logical place for such training.

Meharry medical department was organized October, 1876, and was the first school opened in the Southern States for the education of colored physicians. Since that date, 1,500 students have graduated and received the degrees of M. D., and are now practicing their profession in all parts of this country and reflecting great credit and honor upon their alma mater. The work of the school has been so thorough that it has elicited the friendship and financial support of white friends in all sections. While it is making rapid progress it needs more financial help to continue its onward march. The dental and pharmaceutical hall contains a clinical amphitheater capable of seating 200 students, a dental infirmary, dental laboratory, two rooms for pharmaceutical work, a laboratory for analytical chemistry and museum. Dr. J. H. Holeman has a most up-to-date bacteriological and pathological department and Dr. T. H. Elliott, the laboratory. These departments are complete in every detail and were highly commended upon by Dr. Williams.

The most recent advancement made by the school was the erection of the Hubbard hospital. It has a frontage of 65 feet, three stories high, including the basement. When completed, will be 130 feet. It contains 22 rooms and can accommodate 60 patients. The nurses in training are Miss Willie B. Lener, Colorado; Mattie D. Fletcher, Ohio; Eliza B. Firsh, Mississippi; Kittie B. Baker, Kentucky; Minnie D. Woodard, Tennessee; Callie E. Walden, Tennessee; and Mrs. Willie B. Lowery, representing the senior class, and Misses Hulda Lyttle, Tennessee, and Mrs. Lula Woolfork, Tennessee, composing the junior class. In the freshman class are Misses Annie Jenkins, Georgia; Lula Armstrong, Oklahoma; Beatrice I. Boulware, Florida; Bertie Allen, Tennessee, and Annie Thompson, Arkansas. Misses E. Z. Youngblood, Africa, and S. E. Ferrell, Arkansas, are taking post-graduate courses.

The work of this wonderful institution, the influence it has in moulding and shaping the destiny of one thousand five hundred physicians and surgeons is due in a very large measure to Dr. George W. Hubbard, the dean of the institution. He is a man of genial, kindly disposition, who has won the respect and affection of all with whom he has come in contact, white and colored. He came to the work of Meharry almost fifty years ago, and the last building is a fitting monument to a long and useful life, full of sacrifices and faithful service. The Meharry Medical College, as will be seen from the recent report made by the Carnegie Foundation, has been brought up to a high point of efficiency, and is the largest institution of its kind for colored students in the world.

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While in the city, Mr. Cary B. Lewis was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Blake, 8 Cannon street. On Monday night of this week, Miss Myrtle Blake entertained Mr. Lewis with a card party and dance. A number of Nashville's charming social set were present. A delicious menu was served. On last Sunday, Mr. Lewis was the guest at dinner of Bishop C. H. Phillips. Mr. Henry Allen Boyd also entertained for Mr. Lewis.

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One of the most delightful social functions of the past week was that of the Sigma Mu, a fraternity of the Meharry Medical College. At the stag, every member was present. It was given in honor of Dr. L. M. Hill, a graduate of Meharry and one of the founders of the society, who is now practicing in Atlanta. Dr. Hill was among the physicians who brought patients for operation. The other guest was Mr. Lewis, from Chicago.

The young men assembled early in the evening and played whist from 9:30 to 11:30 p. m., and from this hour until 1:30, lunch was served and speeches delivered. Dr. Jasper Phillips started the oratorical ball to rolling, introducing Mr. Lewis, who spoke on "What He Knew of Meharry Physicians." He was followed by Dr. Hill, who spoke for quite a while on "What It Takes to Make a Physician and Surgeon." Dr. Hill's address was received with much pleasure. He spoke from experience and told the young men of the obstacles they had to meet as well as successes. He gave them some good advice, one thing was, to keep abreast of the times in their profession.

Following the doctor, Mr. Bailey, who acted as master of ceremonies and president of the club, delivered a very inspiring address, eulogizing Mr. Geo. L. Knox for publishing such a great paper and sending a special writer to be at the Meharry Clinic, which has proved to be one of the greatest and most helpful meetings of the year for the benefit of the coming physicians and surgeons of the race.

Every member of the club delivered a toast and at the conclusion, Mr. Jasper Dickerson motioned that Mr. Lewis be made an honorary member. The motion prevailed unanimously. The officers are E. A. Bailey, president; J. W. Burney, vice president; William Saunders, secretary; L. N. Taylor, treasurer. Mr. William Saunders was founder of the organization. They have given the most extraordinary social affairs of Nashville.

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The very kind treatment that has been extended your correspondent may be laid at the door of Dr. R. F. Boyd. He is undoubtedly one of the most liberal hearted men of the South, deep in thought and aspirations as high as the heavens. That he is a big success is evidenced by the number of valuable pieces of property he owns and the very fine hospital that is his, known as the Boyd hospital. The women of the city are greatly interested in it and weekly this is shown by the manner in which they meet and raise means for the purpose of securing towels and other things needed.

The hospital is located in the heart of the city. Miss Patton, of Washington, D. C., is head nurse. She has several other nurses under her and five are in training. The hospital recently burned which necessitated Dr. Boyd's rebuilding and renovating. All the rooms are new and well lighted and heated. The operating room is light, containing all the modern conveniences for operations.

Dr. Boyd is one of the early graduates of Meharry College. He has taken post-courses in medicine and surgery until today, the Literary Digest in speaking of the most noted surgeons of the race, named Drs. Dan Williams, M. A. Curtis and R. F. Boyd. He had a hard struggle to get his education, but it was thoroughly secured, and today we see his office filled daily with people anxious for advice, consultation and service.

Dr. Boyd is also one of the biggest Pythians in this country. He has served as supreme medical examiner and is head of the Court of Calanthe in the State of Tennessee. He has attended every supreme lodge meeting and is highly respected by his Pythian brothers. A number of his friends in all parts of the country are urging him to become a candidate for supreme chancellor.

Dr. Boyd was so highly honored once by the citizens of this city that he ran for mayor, and in a factional fight among the Democrats, won the second place, there being three men in the race. Of all the big-hearted, race-loving and progressive Negroes of Nashville, Dr. R. F. Boyd, in our opinion, stands near the top round.

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During Dr. Williams' stay here he was entertained at dinner by Drs. Geo. Hubbard, dean of Meharry; R. F. Boyd, F. A. Stewart and C. V. Roman.

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Next issue will include a visit to the colleges.

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A visit to Nashville would be incomplete without visiting the National Baptist Publishing House. It is the largest and most complete business concern in this country that is owned and operated by members of the race. We met Dr. R. H. Boyd, the head of the enterprise and he showed us through every department. Editing books and newspapers, church literature, making pews and pulpits, running machinery, setting type with machines, operating monster presses and folders to the answering of thousands of letters daily, is part of the daily routine at this place. It all grew out of the brain of "Father" R. H. Boyd, a man of vast experience and practical knowledge.

The work of this institution is carried out under the astute direction of Mr. Henry Allen Boyd, who is the assistant secretary of all the departments. He is a brilliant young man and a zealous worker. The next assistant is Mr. D. A. Hart, a practical printer and editor of the Nashville Glove, a weekly paper that is regarded as one of the best papers in the country. The Union Review is also published at this office with Mr. Crenshaw as editor-in-chief. We were more than pleased with what we saw here and the kindness extended us.

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Mr. Ira T. Bryant is the young man that is at the head of the A. M. E. publishing plant. It is a four-story stone building across from the court house. A number of young men and women are employed here. We say them busy turning out work on machines of the latest invention and it was done with the greatest dispatch and efficiency. Mr. Bryant is the man for the place and his record has exceeded any that has had the place. After his re-election, he has other plans that will enhance the interests of the A. M. E. connection.

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A special visit was made to the new Majestic theater, owned and operated by A. N. Johnson. It is one of the prettiest play-houses in the country. Its seating capacity is several hundred, with boxes, a large stage and convenient for players as well as centrally located. Since the race is "Jim-Crowed" there is every indication that the new house will be a great success. Mr. Johnson has done everything possible to have an up-to-date theater, and all he asks is patronage and this we are sure he will receive.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. Lett, of Fonda avenue, has a fine baby boy....Mr. Taylor, of Fonda avenue, is much improved after a few weeks' illness....Mrs. Lula Walkins is quite ill at Wabash, Ind., at the home of her mother, and her husband, Mr. Wm. Walkins is very ill at the home of his mother in Chicago, Ill....The revival meetings were held at the A. M. E. church for four weeks. There were seven converts and this is the first time the church has had a revival for twenty years....Mrs. Banisters and grandson, of Lansing, Mich., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Maggie Pratt, on Jefferson avenue....Mrs. Clallien, of Findlay, O., was called to the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. Lana Farmer......Mr. Geo. Marshall is much improved after a two weeks' illness....Mrs. Cheatmen and brother, Mr. Thompson, have returned home after burying their mother in Tennessee....Mr. Ashley Johnson, of Sluda Springs, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Harry Winburn, of Kalamazoo street....Mrs. Ramsey, of Vanwood, O., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Fannie Fowler, on Washington Heights....The Willing Workers will give an old maids' concert at the Phoenix hall, so watch for the date....Mr. Rillie Harris and sister, Miss Anna Harris, spent a few days in Kalamazoo....Mr. Lynch, of New York, is in the city, stopping at the residence of Mrs. James McGruder ....E. J. Watkins, of Detroit, was in the city the guest of his wife and son. He returned to Detroit Tuesday....Miss Minta Jones, 191 Kalamazoo street, has the mumps....Mr. Gardner, of Hutchinson, Kan., has returned home. He had been the guest of his mother, Mrs. Tuner....Mrs. B. Henderson was taken to the hospital last Wednesday....Mrs. Geo. Chandler has been on the sick list for the past four weeks....Mr. Claude Evans is on the sick list....Don't forget your agent, Miss Gussie Berry, 1065 J street....Wanted to rent rooms, at Mrs. Allen Davis, 191 Kalamazoo street.

HUMBOLDT, TENN.

Sunday was quarterly meeting. Rev. Featherston, our presiding elder, preached a very able sermon....Prof. Porter, of Lane College, Jackson, Tenn., made a flying trip to our city Sunday....We have four churches and very able ministers and can't see why the pews are not filled every Sunday....Maple Leaf Club met last week at Mr. and Mrs. Oshie Reagen's and were royally entertained....Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Monds will be host and hostess for the club on the 12th. Prof. Patton is president and Mrs. O. S. Sawyers is secretary......News reached here last Sunday morning of the death of Walter Duncan, track walker. He was killed by a train while in the performance of his duties. The K. of P. lodge took charge of the body and it was borne to its last resting place....Our race, to a great extent, is drifting too far from God and His righteousness, and we are meeting death hurriedly every moment....Remember the Sabbath day and keep it hold. Six days shalt thou work. The seventh is the Sabbath of the Lord, thy God, in it thou shalt not work......Dr. O. S. Sawyers was called to Trenton, Tenn., Saturday night and returned early Sunday.

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First.—Organization being the foundation of Christian civilization, and the unit upon which all power springs, to this end we organize to better Christianize and secure such strength as will better our race.

Second.—As evolution is the great medium that brings the changes and causes man to struggle and fight for alteration in the system of the state and church government, therefore we organize to educate our race in this field.

Third.—As this is seemingly the age of class struggle for industrial and political rights, and knowing as we do the discrimination, we have labored under in the past, and are now laboring under and realizing the disadvantages of individual effort, we therefore resolve to unite ourselves to better enable us to co-operate our race with those of the Caucasian race who believe first, that God made all men, second, in all citizens of our government having the opportunity of enjoying all the rights and privileges, and the pursuits of happiness as laid down in the Constitution of our government equal.

Fourtr.—That no race can hope to grow strong financially nor industrially while divided, is a fact that cannot be denied. Therefore we resolve to teach our race the principles to the end, that we may share our part of the financial and industrial world.

Fifth.—The matter of time to labor is one of the greatest problems that civilization has to solve and define, but as man must of necessity divide the twenty-four hours allotted to day and night for work and rest, we therefore resolve to study that problem to enable us to keep pace with the demand of the age.

Sixth.—As capital and labor are the two great factors in the production of wealth, and as pleasure and happiness are the result of labor and capital, we therefore demand that our race study the problem of capital and labor, to the end that we may know and understand each of these factors' rightful positions.

Seventh.—Resolve to labor and use all honorable means to have all laws abrogated which prevent our race from enjoying full freedomship as any other race in this country and as laid down in the Constitution of our government.

Eighth.—Resolve to do everything in our power by fair means to destroy the color of racial lines in many of the trade unions that work such hardships on many men and women of our race, and thereby bring the industrial class in perfect love and harmony as otherwise it cannot be.

Ninth.—To educate our race to the value of a job, and the duty an employee owes his employer, that all classes of business men may not hesitate in giving to us what we merit.

Tenth.—To demand a better common school system for the education of our children, and to do all in our power to keep them in school until they attain the age of fourteen years.

Eleventh.—As ninety-six per cent of our race do manual labor, therefore be it resolved that we do all in our power to prove to all classes that our labor is worth as much as any other race or nationality in this country, and that we are determined to use all honorable means to accomplish this end, that we will be better able to support ourselves and families.

Twelfth.—That we are determined not to cease our efforts until we shall have secured peace and friendship with capital and labor, and the social virtues of all the good citizens of our country. That neither state nor church can find cause to deny our rights or will stand ildy by and permit one to do so. God being our guide we will follow.

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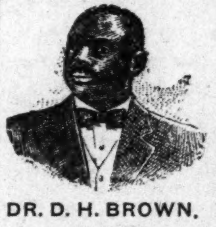

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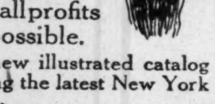

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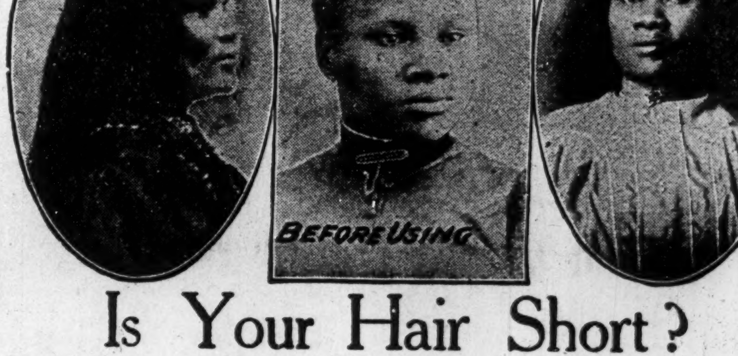

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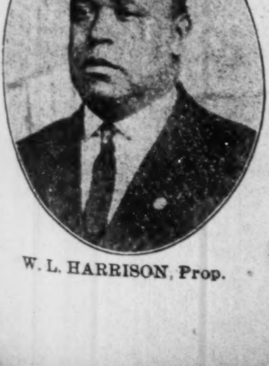

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OUR BOYS.

"And what about our boys?" Nearly every magazine or paper contains columns of advice to young girls, warning them against associating with boys whose standards are not high and whose conduct is not above reproach. And in the mothers' department there is much said about the kind of boys that their daughters should avoid, but where do we find the columns devoted to warning boys against a certain class of girls, or suggesting to mothers that the boy needs her help? He is really in more danger of falling under the spell of evil influence than the daughter.

To one who frequently comes in contact with the average girl of today, it is appalling to note the bold, ill-bred manner of many of them, and the freedom with which they make acquaintances with young men. Although the boy may be manly and well-bred, yet he is influenced by such a girl and bye and bye will lower his standard to her level. Mothers, watch your son as well as your daughter.

THE WAY TO WORK.

If you are compelled to work for your living do not complain about it. Idleness and luxury do not bring happiness; on the contrary, those women who work are invariably the least discontented of their sex.

Often, of course, one has to do work not congenial to the paraicular temperament, but even so, life can be made to swing along peacefully if the task be done with a light heart and an enthusiastic spirit.

It is quite wonderful what enthusiasm will do towards making work a pleasure. The gift of enthusiasm is a divine one which keeps us youthful and helps us to forget the shadows of life.

Without it we can do nothing successfully. Love your work for its own sake, and you will treble your chances of a good and comfortable future, but if you go daily to your task grumbling at fate, and people, and all the rest of it, you bring a deal of needless trouble upon yourself.

yourself.—Mrs. George Brandt Winthrop.

LONELY WIVES.

Husbands are sometimes apt to forget that their wives may be lonely, although they are married. Every working man is away all day, and is able to talk to his mates, make friends of those he selects for companions, and, therefore, his life is more full of interest than that of his wife. She may or may not have children; if so, they lessen her loneliness a good deal, but at the same time she has the wear and tear of them.

Without children a wife's life may be very lonely. Husbands who are away all day should certainly try to spend their evenings at home, but no reasonable wife would begrudge her husband his evening at his club or keep him away from meeting a friend or two one night a week. Many a lonely and patient wife has borne in silence long evenings whilst her partner has been spending them with boon companions, quite shamelessly neglecting the lonely little woman at home. who says nothing until one day he returns to find her in floods of tears. Explanations follow and all goes smoothly again. A husband can do a lot to lessen his wife's loneliness by a little thought. He can persuade her to go and see a neighbor or two on certain days, or he can allow his wife, perhaps, a very small extra allowance now and then, so that she can have a few friends at tea. These thoughtful suggestions on his part will go a long way towards making his wife feel happier.—Margaret Watts De Peyster.

FREE RECIPES.

Girls anticipating mariage, also single girls, should learn to cook and keep house. There is no reason why the ladies of Indianapolis should not become proficient along this line.

Free lessons in cooking are given the first eleven days of each month from the hours of 8 a. m. to 5 p. m., at the Indianapolis Gas Company. Each week I will publish in this column three recipes as recomemnded by Mrs. Hawkins, of the Indianapolis Gas Company.

Baking Powder Biscuits.

Ingredients—Two cups flour, three teaspoons baking powder, one teaspoon salt, one heaping tablespoon shortening, milk enough to make a very soft dough.

Method—Roll to about one-half inch in thickness. Cut into small biscuits and bake from eight to ten minutes in a rather hot oven of your gas range.

Cheese Straws.

Ingredients—One cup of flour, one-fourth cup of lard, one-fourth teaspoon salt, two teaspoons grated cheese.

Method.—Cut the shortening into the flour with two knives, then add a very little cold water. Pat and "fold" the mixture on the bread board. Before folding the last time sprinkle a little grated cheese over the pastry. Then roll to about one-fourth of an inch in thickness. Cut into strips about one-half inch wide, six inches long. Sprinkle these strips with a little cheese and paprika. Bake in a moderately heated oven of your gas range until nicely browned.

Cheese straws are delicious served with any kind of salad.

Ham and Apples.

Paper Bag Method.—Use a No. 3 size paper bag and grease it well on the inside. Get a slice of ham, either fresh or smoked, half an inch to three-quarters of an inch in thickness. If the fresh ham is used, season with salt and pepper.

Trim the borders of the ham and score the lean parts to prevent curling up. Chop the fat that has been trimmed from the edge and add from one to three level tablespoonfuls of brown sugar. Spread this mixture on top of the ham.

Have four apples and quarter them, leaving the peel on. Take out the core. Place the ham in the center of the bag with the apples around the edge of the ham, pointing upwards; then close the bag ready for the oven.

Heat the oven of your gas range with the burners turned on full for 8 minutes. Then place the bag in the oven, on a pan, and reduce the heat one-half by turning o the back burner. When the bag begins to brown nicely, turn the burner lower down; the one burner turned two-thirds on will complete the cooking—time 30 minutes.

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Spice Cake.

Ingredients—One-half cup butter; one and one-half cups sugar; one cup milk; two eggs; two and one-half cups flour; two and one-half teaspoons baking powder; two teaspoons cinnamon; one-half teaspoon cloves; one-half teaspoon nutmeg; three teaspoons cocoa.

Mrs. Hawkins' Method—Cream the butter and sugar and add the well beaten yolks of two eggs and the white of one egg. Reserve the white of one egg for icing. Add the milk and two cups of the flour, a little at the time, and beat thoroughly as the milk and flour are being added. Place the baking powder and spices in the last half cup of the flour and add to it the mixture just before placing the cake in the oven. Bake in two layers in a moderate oven of your gas range.

Icing—Place one cup of granulated sugar in a sauce pan and pour over it one-fourth of a cup of boiling water, (do not stir.) Boil until it spins a thread from the edge of a spoon, then pour over the well beaten white of one egg. Pour very slowly and beat the egg constantly until it is thick enough to spread on the cake.

Mr. Evans, the advertising gentleman of this firm, is indeed a fine man to meet, and would be so pleased to have the ladies become interested in this work.

A WARNING TO YOUNG LADIES AGAINST AN IMPRUDENT MATCH.

Third Open Letter on This Subject.

(By John R. Winston.)

Being a man of family, and the proud father of two daughters and a son, my dear girls and readers of The Freeman, I have so much confidence in your good sense and discretion that I trust you will excuse me, as a very old friend, offering a few words of advice to our colored girls on a matter which may seriously affect the happiness of your whole life. You are young, and have been perhaps unhappily bereft of parental care. Under such circumstances you are exposed to temptations, not only dangerous in themselves, but the more so in proportion as your innocence of heart renders you open and unsuspecting in your opinion of others. Report seems to speak of a great many (p—eyes) attempting to destroy the flowers of a man's home, and these young girls are weak and have accepted them as lovers; or, at all events, as having paid these young ladies of late many attentions, which appear to have been favorably received.

I sincerely hope, my dear girls, that you will not feel offended at one who, from long knowledge, entertains a father's feeling, almost a father's anxiety, in your behalf. Speaking plainly of what these p—eyes are, what he is too well aware of, I have for years had my eyes upon them and their doings, and I am convinced that, without saying anything unduly harsh, they are not calculated to make any wife happy. He is violent and unrestrained in his temper, extravagant in his habits, and by no means particular as to the society he keeps. Believe me, my dear girls, you never could be happy with such a man. Your life would be one of incessant suffering; you would find a tyrant to whom you had enslaved yourself, not a protector and friend on whom your weakness should depend for support. You would perhaps find yourself neglected and forgotten, when the fleeting charms of youth and beauty had passed, and you would find yourself the victim of a man whose sole object is immediate gratification, and whose want of stability and decision of character totally incapacitates him from looking forward to the serious duties of the future. Think well of this, my dear girls, and do not commit yourself by rashly encouraging the advances of a young man of so doubtful a disposition. Reflect upon the happy life your own parents enjoyed; and depend upon it, you will find that affection, unaccompanied by esteem, is no incentive to linking your destiny with that of another.

And now, my dear grils, I close this long, and it may seem tedious, lecture, trusting that God may lead you to weigh anxiously and carefully the consequences of so serious a step, and that your own heart may be your truest and soundest adviser, is the sincere prayer of the writer. And may you ever read The Freeman.

RACE GLEANINGS.

The timely article by Irene Y. McCoy, of Chicago, Ill., makes it possible for us to present this brief note of the late Dr. Edward Wilmot Blyden, the most distinguished scholar of the Negro race:

"There was the great Dr. Edward Wilmot Blyden. This great writer lived across hte seas, an old man, in the little British colony of Sierre Leone. His writings began with the last quarter of the nineteenth century. Among his most important works we find 'Christianity, Islam anad the Negro Race,' 'The Koran in Africa,' 'West Africa Before Europe,' 'Liberia's Offering,' and 'Monrovia to Palentine.' Such scholarly productions were his that they have been translated from English into French, German, Italian and Arabic. Besides these publications, Dr. Blyden has written numerous essays and pamphlets on different subjects touching the welfare of African peoples and the government of them by European colonial powers. For years he has been recognized as the foremost authority on West Africa, and has done more than any other thinker and writer to modify and soften the attitude of white Europe in its government and control of black Africa. Familiar with French, German, Arabic and a number of native tongues, and with a literary style that is fascinating, forceful and unique, this noted writer will ever be remembered as among the first and foremost scholars on Africa; besides, he was for years Secretary of State of Liberia, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to the court of St. James, special envoy to the republic of France, and director of Muhamudah education in Sierra Leone."

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The following is a portion of the declarations of the Committee of Declarations at the recent Farmers' Conference at Tuskegee:

"The $260 that has been awarded here to-day in prizes for the best cotton and corn, for the best garden produce, for the best kept farms and for home raised meat, shows what can be done. If farmers, under the direction of agricultural experts are able, as reported here to-day, to raise from 75 to 80 bushels of corn per acre, there is no reason why Negro farmers throughout the South should not produce 35 or 40 bushels per acre instead of 10 bushels, as the average Negro farmer now does.

"The Tuskegee Negro Conference now says to Negro farmers throughout the South: 'Heed the teachings of the agricultural experts; organize Boys' Corn Clubs, Men's Corn Clubs, Tomato Clubs, Garden Clubs, and Home Improvement Clubs. These clubs will do much for the material upbuilding of your community.'"

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An amusing incident occurred in the House of Representatives, Liberia, Africa, on the 15th. The House sent the engrossing clerk to Hon. John L. Morris, the Secretary of the Treasury, for a book to be used by the clerk of the House. The Secretary sent a book, which the House returned to him with the request that he send a larger book, because the one sent was too small. He replied to the clerk that he, the Secretary, had "no time to fool with those damned fellows." The clerk reported the same to the House. The Secretary followed with a complaint against the clerk for unbecoming conduct to the Secretary. The House was soon ready to examine into the conduct of the clerk, and sent for the Secretary to substantiate the complaint, but he refused to come except the House would write him saying what it wanted with him; whereupon the House communicated with him, saying that since he would not come, the House was inclined not to believe the statement of the Secretary against the clerk, and they would therefore dismiss the complaint against the clerk.

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The following is said of Harlem, the erstwhile fashionable quarter in New York: "The rapid spread of the colony alarmed many owners in adjoining blocks, who sold out at sacrifices. Several parcels in One Hundred and Thirty-third street were sold, and at prices 20 to 30 per cent. less than they would have brought two years before. White operators who saw profit in catering to Negroes bought these houses and turned them over to Negroes at rents ranging from 20 to 25 per cent. more than the rents paid btu a few weeks previous by white tenants."

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The one hundredth anniversary of Charles Dickens, the noted English novelist, was celebrated with appropriate exercises Tuesday evening, February 6, at the Y. M. C. A. building, New York City, under the auspices of the Literary Society. The occasion was an interesting one. The speakers discussed various phases of the famous author's life.

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Dorothy Coates, a Negress, summoned for jury duty in the Superior Court at Spokane, Wash., is believed to be the first woman of her race to be called to such service in the United States. She owns considerable property.

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Dr. Edward Wilmot Blyden, the famous Negro author and lecturer, died February 8, at Sierra Leone, Africa. Dr. Blyden, who was born at St. Thomas, D. W. I., in 1832, was of pure Negro blood. Early in his life he devoted himself to the study of languages, and when he was nineteen years old became editor of the Liberia Herald. He studied theology and became a Presbyterian pastor and was later appointed president of the Liberian College. He was Liberian commissioner to the General Assembly of the American Presbyterian Church in 1861 and 1880. He was Liberian Secretary of State for the Interior for some time and was afterward appointed Liberian minister at London. He published a large number of works, mostly connected with the Negro in Africa.

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President Taft has reprieved for ninety-one days Mattie Lomax, a Negro woman, under sentence of death for murder of her husband, pending decision of a case in the District of Columbia courts, involving the right of a jury to give a qualified verdict in a homicide trial.

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To Whom It May Concern:

My dear readers, you are missing half of your life in misery and shame, worrying with a man that will not try once to please you, cherish or comfort you, and hold a bright light of good moral conduct before his children, by making home happy. Now, listen; if you have sighed, worried, cried and pleaded with him, and to no avail, you pray and let Madame McNairdee advise you. I know you will never regret it. My husband was a drunkard, a run-about and around, a gambler, and the most wicked man that our Lord ever let live, until all at once, after reading so often of this woman, I took up courage and let her hear from me. oday, I will say it is on a stair-steps of ibles, I have a model man in every respect. I will praise this woman as long as I have breath. She made my husband a man, a husband, a gentleman.

I am yours in Christ and S. M. T.,
MRS. T. G. D.,
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My Dear Friends:

I am now making my own volunteer statement because this lady has caused me to be so happy. I would like so much to give you my name, but I hope you know why. I went with a young man two years and we spat all the time. We were twice engaged and he would disappoint me, until I consulted this wonderful lady. Now we are married, and have been for near three years. He is so nice and kind to me. I told him a few months ago of this advice and he would not agree with me until he lost his job, and then made up his mind, and do you know that my husband has one of the best jobs of his life by consulting her. No matter what you want to do or know, let her hear from you, and I vow you will never regret it. I cannot help believing that she is sent of God to do just what she is doing, and you never hear of a thing ugly that she has done. I visited her during the K. of P. Supreme Lodge, and I never met a nicer lady. I am a Christian and a leader in a good many church clubs. We chatted a good deal of such things. I find her very entertaining. I am, as ever, her friend,

MRS. JOSIE T. M.,
Washington, D. C.

To Whom It May Concern.

I have always been one of those that did not give any thought of this until about four years ago I had a great trouble and it cost me almost every dime I had, and my mother asked me one day to tell some of this trouble to this woman that we read so much about in our papers. Mother says, "I feel that she can help you." I had to laugh with tears in my eyes, for I was in jail; then finally I said, "Suit yourself; anything now, so I come clear and get out of here." She let this woman hear from her and about me. We never can forget what this woman said in reply. She said in substance, "If you will pray and trust God, I will do the rest." And bless her to-day and forever. I was called to trial, and every witness that could be found spoke in my behalf, and those who did not could not be found. I was returned to jail twice and then set free. Do you blame me for saying she is a power unknown, to help those who seek her aid? I am now doing business for myself and making good. Every month I send her twenty dollars. I have done this for four months, and shall always divide my last dime with her. I am her friend at all times.

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SATURDAY, FEB. 24, 1912.

Our mayor can go some when away from home.

Not the least plausible excuse for the recent mobbings.

And the next day the sun shone most beautifully—as if it mocked the scenes of our inconvenience.

Spring got a severe setback last Tuesday evening; it is expected to be more careful in the near future.

Don't give up the mules and horses yet. Remember last Wednesday, the day when only those downtrodden beasts could navigate ad lib.

Judge Mahlon Pitney, chancellor of the State of New Jersey, has been appointed by President Taft to succeed Justice Harlan on the Supreme Court bench.

Isidor Wulfson, master of weights and measures, got home safe an intact, diamonds and all. He run across Mayor Shank down East, where he divided honors with him.

The Legislature of Liberia, Africa, recently passed a law making the salary of the General Receiver and Financial Advisor of the republic $5,000 per annum. A rather nice salary. If he spreads it all out again among his people, guess it's all right.

Report comes from Chicago that Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion, is a candidate for the Board of Aldermen of that city. If chosen, it is very likely he will be assigned to the chairmanship of rough-houses. If there be doubt of his ability to hold down the job, just start something.

Our mayor has been raising—well, the duce—down East. He carried little old New York by storm. We like the attention shown him, the banquets and so forth, but can't quite get up to the idea of him occupying a $50-per-day suite of rooms. Now, back home, he isn't used to any such things. And then, too, how will he ever expect to run for all of those offices he's been mentioned for, if he shows such extravagance?

Frederick Douglass was remembered by the colored Y. M. C. A. last Sunday at its regular meeting rooms. The speeches were informal, yet taking them together they gave an interesting account of the Sage of Anacostia, the times in which he lived and that group of individuals with whom he labored in the effort to overthrow slavery.

George L. Knox was particularly reminiscent. He had walked and talked with Douglass, consequently he was full of information that told of his sayings and views on various subjects. Mr. Knox was happy in his expressions in presenting these side lights on the great Negro character.

Rev. J. C. Martin spoke fittingly and at length as to the distinguished worth of the subject of the occasion. Henry L. Sanders gloried in the success of Douglass in the various fields of endeavor which were his to occupy. The other speakers were John W. Carson, Rev. J. Brice, W. R. Valentine, A. A. Taylor and F. D. Ransome. Mr. Knox presided.

Mr. Roosevelt was particularly nice and careful in his expressions. He doesn't think very much of the recall idea, but he treads lightly there, as if for fear there were a good many who believed strongly in it. Here is his very guarded language:

"As to the recall, I do not believe that there is any great necessity for it as regards short-term elective officers. On abstract ground I was originally inclined to be hostile to it. I know of one case where it actually was used with mischievous results. On the other hand, in three cases in municipalities on' the Pacific Coast which have come to my knowledge it was used with excellent results."

Sir Roger De Coverly of Addison memory would say there is much to be said on either side. Mr. Roosevelt, as will be noted, is in that class.

The ex-President is in favor of those rather new notes of statecraft, the initiative and referendum; but it is doubtful from his language whether he is an earnest advocate or simply thinks of them as permissible.

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation will not be a national event. It will, however be a very significant event in the affairs of this country. It will, however, be a very significant on the part of a people who need considerable encouragement. Is $50,000 a sufficient sum to warrant the fulfillment of the best hopes in the matter of an exposition in celebration of so great an event as the abolition of American slavery? We, who are most concerned, feel to ask for unlimited credit, thinking that for the good of the country and for the good of the Negro race, and more, for universal man, no greater boon has fallen upon mankind since the ascent of the cross.

We think the greater opportunity, however, will come in the year 1919, the three hundredth anniversary of the Negroes' arrival on the American soil.

This event would include all, and at the same time would not antagonize any feeling left over owing to former master and slave relations. North, South, East, West, we think, would be unanimous for an event that tended to the glory and stability of the country. However, if we are to have a great demonstration in 1913 supported by Congress, it should be made worth while. Will the $50,000 do it?

The United States Senate has made favorable report on a bill to appropriate $50,000 for the aid of an exposition by Negroes, to be held next January, and in celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation.

The amount is not large for the purpose, if the exposition is to be conducted in some such manner as the previous ones. While no one will think that the proposed exposition will be anything like the others in size, yet the cost for running and the receipts will be proportionately the same. The recent Jamestown Exposition, which is a fair example of what the forthcoming exposition may be, had a large deficit, which, we think, was cared for by the government.

The money-making idea will be left out of the calculation if the exposition is to stand for what it purports. It will be comprehensive, if anything, showing the achievements of Negroes in the various lines of activities from '63 until the present day. This means considerable financiering, not to speak of a few appropriate buildings.

THE RECALL IDEA.

From our viewpoint we see nothing vicious in the initiative and referendum ideas as political principles, although they are considered somewhat new and sudden. We think, however, that the persistent advocacy of such principles tends to discredit popular government such as we enjoy in this country. The initiative is not so striking a departure as the referendum, as it concerns legislative enactments, since many excellent governmental measures have sprung from the people, men who were not members of governing bodies, but who saw that their measures were enacted through the proper channels. The referendum is a a strange note, meaning the ratification of governing measures, referring back to the people before they become effective. Clearly the referendum is a species of repudiation of those selected to represent, and which means, further, self-repudiation, a very anomalous attitude in a republican form of government.

The recall idea, having in mind the judiciary, is nothing short of revolutionary. Of the three departments of government, the legislative, the executive and the judiciary, if there are degrees of respect, the profoundest attaches to the judiciary. In fact, the government seemingly started out with that intent. The Supreme Court is the "sacred" institution of the governmental triune; it means respect for the law, that has charge of life and limb and property.

This respect is not peculiar to our own country. In all countries, in all ages, men have bowed low to those of the wool sack. Kings feared nothing so much as those of formidable wigs and gown, the men that stood for justice. This was a righteous fear, a wholesome fear—standing for the eminence of unswerving right to all.

The bench is not infallible because it is the bench; it has known corruption. The great Bacon, "who aspires to Shakespeare's shoes," was flung headlong from the judicial seat as a Miltonic angel from the courts of heaven. He was bought, defiled, and acknowledged to the facts. Others have bemeaned their high station, but at that the bench is the most ideal adjunct to our political machinery.

Most of us have the utmost respect for the law and those that administer it. When men feel otherwise, there's something wrong—times are out of joint. We are not in for seeing this most distinguished, dignified class of men prostituted before a howling mob. What is needed is more respect for men and institutions, and not the ruthless striking down of the very bulwark of defense of a free people.

HELP REDUCE LYNCHING.

For several years the number of colored persons lynched has been growing less. Some satisfaction came from the fact because it looked as if there were gradual improvement in the situation, giving indication of the time when the thing of mob law would be unknown, or at least not a "special tribunal" for colored people.

The casual observer will think that any degree of satisfaction arising from a situation where wrong yet exists, although in the reduction shows a people too easily satisfied. The condition, however, is but half stated. The onlooker cannot be acquainted with the facts. He sees what he sees, and that is the surface of things. He does not know the philosophy of the struggle—why Negro life and that of white men parallel in so few instances. The Negroes have no means of redress, no appeal, excepting to the consciences of men. Fighting through the breastworks of prejudice to these consciences is no mean warefare. Thus any advance at all is a victory. The satisfaction of the fact of the hard situation, knowing that the fight is waged practically from one side, and against the most determined thing imaginable—prejudice.

Prejudice is a very subtle foe. It is purely spiritual, and must be fought spiritual weapons. It is elusive, deceiving, tactical. These phases in the most part, however, will not be fought down with weapons in kind. Deception will not be matched with deception and so forth. These hurtful qualities in the struggle must be met with their opposites. Truth, fairness, faithfulness, honor and frankness are the antidote for deceit and intrigue.

Besides taking on some qualities, we must learn to reduce some qualities in order to be conventional. A race that has attributes that stand out as peculiar will be praised for them or condemned for them, according as they appear praiseworthy or blameable. These things enter the warfare, and have very much to do in making for the condition hoped for. And it stands to reason that these better agencies for the race's welfare have been at work manifesting themselves in various ways, some of which are not so apparent, but which leave plainly their evidences.

The reduction of lawlessness by way of lynching is clearly the outgrowth of the rearrangement of racial notions by the race, making less the presumed caused for the thing. The fact that the "great first cause" presumed—raping—has been removed, is a thing for satisfaction, since to have stood convicted racially of rape as best understood would have meant an ineffaceable disgrace, and which would not have been downed as long as the charge was made with show of success. But in spite of this clearly-gained point, lynching yet lingers, rising now and then to vex and disturbe us as a thing to be always with us. One would think that with the absence of the excuse there would be an absence of the act. No cause, no effect is the logical conclusion to such problems. But is it that way?

The recent Tennessee happenings serve to remind us that the system is yet too vigorous for our good. The odium of the thing, however, attaches to those white men doing the thing and not to the Negroes, who, if guilty and when guilty of any crimes of the criminal calendar, are not different to white men when guilty. The fact that the Negroes were generally in custody, subjects for sure punishment, puts the attacking white men in a very poor light. Negroes urge that it is a thing of jealousy on top of prejudice—compounded wrong, such as Negroes of our country so often undergo. And it looks that way because impatience is exhibited at the laws that also deals with white men, exhibiting no such impatience, however, when dealing with them, proving the added thing of jealousy, since prejudice is generally satisfied with punishment—regular administered punishment. Jealousy demands a sort of revenge—the mob is revengeful and not an "instrument" of justice.

It is a shameful admission on the part of white men that they are jealous of Negroes beyond their prejudice. And it is a very poor way to have it out. Even the "obtuse" Negro sees and knows a thing or so. He will profit by the unusual opposition.

PROMINENT A. M. E. CHURCHMEN ON THE NOMINATION.

Bishop H. M. Turner: "I suppose Mr. Taft will be as good as any man that the Republicans may nominate. While I do not agree with his Southern policy, I would like to know where we can find any man who has not shown prejudice against the Negro."

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Bishop L. J. Coppin: "While I do not agree with the Southern policy of Mr. Taft, I believe that he has made a good president in other respects and will vote for him if he is nominated."

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Bishop B. F. Lee: "I have nothing to say beyond that none of those mentioned has caught my fancy."

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Bishop J. S. Flipper: "I will not support Mr. Taft if he is renominated. While I believe he is sincere in his belief, I cannot be persuaded that the exclusion of colored men from the holding of federal offices in the South, and the appointment of Southern Democrats thereto will build up a strong Republican party in the South."

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Bishop B. T. Tanner: "Former Senator Foraker is my choice. As to Taft and Roosevelt, I think it is six of one and a half dozen of the other, with possibly Taft a little bit better."

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Bishop C. T. Shaffer: "I will have to wait until sentiment crystallizes a little more before expressing any opinion as to whom I will favor as the Republican nominee for the presidency."

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Dr. W. S. Scarborough, president of Wilberforce University: "I have known both Messrs. Roosevelt and Taft for years. Mr. Roosevelt has declared that he is not a candidate and I am for Mr. Taft. While many of our people dislike his Southern policy, we must remember that the Democratic party is traditionally opposed to us. I know that President Taft is deeply interested in the welfare of the race."

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Bishop W. H. Heard: "I do not like the policy that the present administration has inaugurated regarding the holding of federal offices by colored men in the South, and am in favor of Roosevelt's nomination for the presidency."

HENDERSON, KY.

S. LA VETTA JONES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The domestic science department of the Douglas high school opened last week with Mrs. Rosa E. Cabell as teacher....The Young Men's Business League held its meeting at the Odd Fellows' hall Sunday afternoon. A program was rendered and many visitors were present. Another program will be rendered at their meeting on Sunday, February 25....The members of the Douglass high school and eighth grade held a meeting Wednesday, February 7, for the purpose of organizing a Junior Civic League. The following officers were elected Mr. Benjamin Slaughter, president; Mr. S. D. W. Carr, vice president; Miss Annette Brown, secretary; Miss Fistinia Miller, assistant secretary; Miss Virginia Caldwell, treasurer....The Mothers' Club will hold its meeting Friday, February 16, at the Alves street school.... The Dunbar Literary Society of the Douglas high school will hold its biweekly rhetorical Friday afternoon, February 16....Miss Rosa L. Carr is supplying at the Alves street school....Mrs. Lucy Harris, of Chicago, is in the city, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. P. H. Kennedy....Mrs. K. C. Blackshear is ill at her home, 700 South Main street.... Rev. P. H. Kennedy, who was operated on last week is improving rapidly..Mrs. H. F. Jones will make a flying trip to Sebree, where she will install the officers of the Court of Calanthe....Mr. Chas. S. Carr, Jr., spent Saturday in Evansville on business....Mrs. A. E. Guy is in the city on business....Miss M. V. Kennedy has improved somewhat...... Mrs. Jane Frazier is ill at her home on Alves street....Dr. W. J. Weston spent Thursday in Sebree, Ky.

Look out for the baseball edition.

AT KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

Governor Harmon a Guest of the City—Negro Force Too Strong for Angry Mob—Prof. C. L. Timberlake, Editor of "The Voice" in the City—Auto Party to See "Smart Set"—Louisville Caterers Serve Swell Reception—Prof. Garvin, the Agriculturist, in the City.

By Hardin Tolbert, 425 Washington St., New Phone 666.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

FRANKFORT, KY., Feb. 25.—Governor Harmon, of Ohio, the Negroes' choice of Harmon delivered an address at the new that state, was in the city. Governor state capital, in which he included all races and made it plain if he was the people's choice for the nominee for president that he would do all in his power to render justice to all the people, and that his greatest intention was to cut down the great high expense of living so that the poor man might have a chance to live better. Governor Harmon was heartily applauded in his speech before the general assembly. A swell supper was given him at the Capitol hotel, at which Governor Harmon made a short speech, telling the people the basis on which he stands and the ideas that he would like carried out by the Democratic party with the influence of his friends. The Negroes of Ohio, knowing the value of a good man during the election of a governor of that state, when a Republican and a Democrat were running, scratched the ticket of the Republican candidate and elected Governor Harmon, Democrat, and the rest of the officers Republican....Prof. Clarence L. Timberlake, of Franklin, Ky., the editor of "The Voice," is in the city. Prof. Timberlake, for seevral years a teacher, finished the Normal Institute to the senior class, but owing to the same condition of many poor boys, who have to leave school just at the time of completing a course, and that was his condition. eH did not leave that institution with the highest average of his class some aspire to only, but he goes into the world with those hard problems of practicable life to solve, like Webster, Grant and other men who have made their schools great and not the school making them great. President Hathaway, of that institution, refers to Prof. Timberlake's careers in life as an example to the rest of the students. Mr. Timberlake, when a student in school, was considered the best original orator that ever mounted the rostrum. eH possessed that power of eloquence that could make men see as he did. He could either make his audience laugh or cry at his command. Prof. Timberlake's editorials have received many compliments from the white editors in their editorial notes. "The Voice" has over 1,500 subscribers in the one year of its existence, and the future outlook of the paper will have the largest circulation of any paper in the western part of the state with this renowned editor at its head. Prof. Timberlake has been teaching a first-class school, and abides by him one of God's most precious gifts to man, a dear and beloved wife. Mrs. Timberlake is a teacher and a leader in church work with her husband and advises him to the best of her ability and is willing to help him to make canditions better at all times...A special auto party of this city visited Louisville to attend the Smart Set recently. Among the party were Messrs. Major Merton, R. L. Diggs, James Ellis, Claud Brown and Anderson Williams, Misses Maria and Clint Ellis. After the show they were the guests of Miss A. M. Payton, where an exquisit dinner was served them. The pretty residence was beautifully decorated with many lovely carnations and ferns, which made the affair so attractive. Prof. Payton, the well-known violinist, acted as toastmaster, Lawyer R. L. Diggs, a United States revenue man, and Miss Maria Ellis, a teacher in the Clinton street high school, and Mr. Anderson Williams, an undertaker of this city, delivered short addresses at the dinner. They were all dressed in the latest style and an enjoyable time was spent. A five-piece orchesta furnished the music and a menu of five courses were delightly served with much credit to the caterers....Benedict & Co., caterers, made a swell hit in serving a reception at the Governor's mansion to the members of the general assembly and other citizens with the assistance of fine waiters of this city. The daily papers spoke in high terms of the caterers and their polite manner of serving, which has won for them something that money could not buy. Those present from Louisville were Messrs. Richard Wilder, T. Thompson, Joe G. Rider, C. Sleets, W. Pace and A. Taylor. Those from Frankfort were: L. Twyman, C. Conda and T. Berry. Mr. A. C. Brint received the guests at the door. The caterers were all dressed in full dress suits....Prof. Garvin, principal of the Winchester public school, is known all over the state as an expert agriculturist and is a graduate of the Normal Institute, is reflecting much credit upon his alma mater. Prof. Garvin attended the conference of Negro Farmers at Tuskegee. eH was one of the first colored men in this state to ask the legislature to appropriate $5,000 for the purpose of getting the Kentuckians close together along these lines. Represnetative Jack Chain spoke of Prof. Garvin as being the greatest Negro in the south except Booker T. Washington....Mr. Tom Rice, of eVrsailles, who was accused of an assault on a white woman on the street, was arrested and put in jail. His father, with the assistance of the colored people, went to the jail and defied the mob to make any attempt of getting the boy. Just a strike of a match would have caused a race riot among the people.... A swell reception was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Irvine Russell at the residence of Mrs. Carrie Riders. The cozy residence was beautified with many Killiarny roses and attractive carnations, which literally perfumed the rooms with delightful odors. The guests present were Miss Charity Boyd, Mrs. Elonor Williams, Floretta Link, G. Tall, H. Tall, H. Lee, Miss Ollie aPtterson, Mrs. J. H. Lyons, Messrs. C. A. Brint, Thomas Berry, Profs. J. Hayes, J. Moberly, J. H. Lyons, Mr. J. H. Lyons, Mr. J. Ellis and I. oBoker. A four-course menu was served. Music was rendered by Mr. Sam Guy's orchestra.... Mrs. Frances Williams gave a reception at her residence in honor of Misses Corean and Selener Smith, but on account of the illness of their mother they were unable to attend. Mrs. Williams' residence was lovely decorated with many beautiful flowers. The guests came handsomely dressed to meet these young ladies. A four-course menu was served and a pleasant time was enjoyed....Mr. Kid Price gave an old-time supper at his residence in Green Hill. The house was decorated in all of the anti-bellium styles. A supper of great credit was served consisting of possum and sweet potatoes, three-months-old shoat with an apple packed in his mouth, Irish potatoes mashed and a pound of butter in the middle, three different kinds of salid, blackberrie cobbler two inches thick, many four-layer cakes with chocolate ice around them and an old-time fiddler in the corner playing the old plantation reels, and there was one sumptous time....Miss Ruth Tyler left for Louisville to spend a few weeks....Mrs. Margaret Pickens and daughter, Miss Annie Edword, arrived in the city from Louisville, Ky....Mr. Fred Simpson arrived from Louisville to visit his parents.... Miss Annie Gipson, of Henderson, Ky., a fascinating and attractive young lady, is making a fine record at the Normal Institute in the sub-junior class. Miss Gipson, with the fine training she got before she came here, is reflecting much credit upon her alma mater, and with such a sweet disposition is gaining many friends. ....Mr. Robert Wallace, or Irving, Ky., has accepted a position at Mr. Dick Harris' barber shop....Mr. Henry Allen, a popular young man of Louisville, was in the city and visited the legislature in the interest of "The Kentucky Children's Home Society," of which Rev. C. H. Parrish is president. Mrs. Allen, the secretary, also spent a day in the city on the same business....Mrs. Henrietta Byrant is able to be up after a few weeks of illness with la grippe....Madame Brown, the "Beauty Specialist," of Danville, spent a few days in the city the guest of her husband, and enjoyed a pleasant time.... The Artistic Ten Embroidery Circle met at Mrs. T. L. Brooks, where they were served a delightful lunch....Mrs. Susie Butler has been very ill, but is able to be up....Mrs. John Mayson Del Coppee and Master Edward, of Cincinnati, are in the city visiting their mother, Mrs. Martha Washington, at her residence on Second street....Mr. John Canada is able to be up from a hard spell of la grippe....A special party from Lawrenceburg visited the Normal School, the historic monuments and the new state capitol. Those in the party were Misses Addie Harrison and Mary Haydon, Messrs. R. Pleasant, H. Thomas and H. Bush. Miss Hayden will graduate from the public school this spring....Mr. William Stone spent a day in Eminence on business....Messrs W. Garret and H. Jackson spent a day in the city....Mrs. Annie Grant and stepdaughter arrived from Louisville....Prof. John Wales left for Managa, Nicarauga.... Mrs. William Brooks left for Cincinnati after a pleasant visit with her parents. Mrs. Malvina Harrison is very ill with the pleursy....The Freeman headquarters has been moved from the Frankfort Pressing Club t o the People's Pharmacy, on the corner of Washington and Clinton streets. Please leave all news for publication there. While drinking your delicious drink don't forget The Freeman is on sale at the same place.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Death of Mrs. Joseph F. Nelson—Other Items.

Champaign, Ill., Special.

Mrs. Joseph F. Nelson, of 507 East California street, died at 8 o'clock Wednesday morning, February 14, after three weeks' illness, following the premature birth of her child. Estella Anderson was born in Urbana thirty-seven years ago. In October, 1888, she was married to Mr. Nelson. Of this union four children survive; they are Leslie, Cecil, Wendell and Sadie. Her mother, Mrs. Angeline McDermitt; brother Sylvester Anderson, and sister, Mrs. Essex Allen, are living. Mrs. Nelson was noted for her many good qualities. She was a loving mother and a devoted wife. Her death will be very generally regretted. The funeral services were held at Bethel A. M. E. church, Friday afternoon, February 16, a 2 o'clock, and were in charge of the chapter of the Eastern Star of Champaign. Burial was at Mt. Hope cemetery....Mr. Julian H. Lewis, of Cairo, Ill., who is here attending the University of Illinois, doing research work in physiology for the M. A. degree, graduated in June, 1911. He will speak Sunday afternoon before the Baraca Bible Class at Bethel A. M. E. church. His subject will be "The Cause and Prevention of Tuberculosis. ....Miss Viola King, of Muscogee, Okla., who was here visiting Miss Mildred Brown and Miss Alice Lee, left sooner than she expected on account of her grandmother taking ill in Dallas, Texas.....Miss Mildred Brown is improving very nicely....The Freeman can be secured through Z. L. Breedlove, 109 North Champaign street, for $1.00 per year from now until February 29. Your subscription will be appreciated.... Mrs. Alice Breedlove is improving.... Mr. C. E. Phillips, the well known business man of Monticello, Ill., who is taking a course in stenography and typewriting in the International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, Pa., received a percentage certificate February 14, stating that he had completed instruction paper, subject arithmetic part 3, of the civil service with a percentage of 96....Mr. C. E. Phillips, of Monticello, Ill., agent for the Majestic tailors of Chicago, Ill., will be in Champaign, Ill., on Friday, March 15, 1912, with a full line of spring and summer samples, and will make his headquarters at Hines and Davis' tonsorial parlor, 71 East Main street..Mrs. Ed. Williams, of Urbana, is quite ill....Mrs. Jenkins, of Chicago, was here last week, visiting her sister, Miss Willa Mae Jones....Mr. Clifton Jordan is quite ill....Miss Leora Walker departed Monday afternoon, February 19, for her home in Bloomington.. ..Mrs. Amanda Jones, of Peoria, is attending the bedside of her sick daughter, Miss Mary McCurty....The Negroes of Champaign held a meeting February 9, and organized an Afro-American Business League. The following officers were elected: Mr. B. F. Crushshon, president; Richard Alexander, vice president; Neil McCellen, treasurer, and Charlie Kempt, secretary......Miss Jessie Jordan entertained at dinner Saturday evening, Miss Leora Walker and Miss Alice Lee. A delightful time was enjoyed....Mr. Ike Wilson, an employe of the Beardsley hotel, has improved.

CARY B. LEWIS AT HIS OLD KENTUCKY HOME.

Has Visited Colleges—Will Stop at Indianapolis En Route to Chicago.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, KY., Feb. 22.—Mr. Cary B. Lewis, one of the most widely known young newspaper men in the country, arrived in the city this week from a tour in the South, attending the annual clinic of Dr. Daniel H. Williams at Meharry Medical College and visiting colleges in that section.

Mr. Lewis is visiting his parents and will also visit the State University, Frankfort Normal Institute, Frankfort, Ky., Chandler Normal at Lexington, Ky., Wilberforce University, returning by the way of Indianapolis, Ind., to visit Messrs. Elwood Knox, William Lewis and "Brother" Simmons, of The Freeman, at Indianapolis. He will return to Chicago about the first of the month. While in the South he was loyally treated by members of the press clubs. In Chicago this summer he will be among the newspaper men to assist in making it pleasant for those who will attend the National Press Association. He will have a special headquarters to be known as "The Kentucky," where old-fashioned hospitality will be dispensed. Arrangements to that effect are being looked after while he is in the city.

SHEFFIELD, ALA., NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The members of Cable Chapel C. M. E. church are making preparations to entertain the ministerial council of the C. M. E. church, which will convene February 28 and 29, and March 1. The public is cordially invited to attend these meetings. The program will be interesting and logical. Subjects will be discussed by able talent. Come out and enjoy a logical feast....Mr. Mark Rutland has had his home on Second street improved by adding three new rooms, which adds very much to its beauty. Mr. Rutland has an excellent home, with both beatuy and comfort. We would like to have more energetic young men of this kind in our city. Mr. Rutland is a salesman in the J. Spielburg dry goods store. Every colored man should call at Spielburg's and purchase his dry goods and shoes from Mr. Rutland....Mr. J. M. Elliott, of Decatur, has returned home after spending sin, Mr. S. J, Elliott, of this city. Mr. J. a few days in this city visiting his cou-M. Elliott is one of Decatur's prominent young business men....Mr. Henry Ellis died at his home on Furnace Hill, Saturday, February 17.

BILLY MILLS

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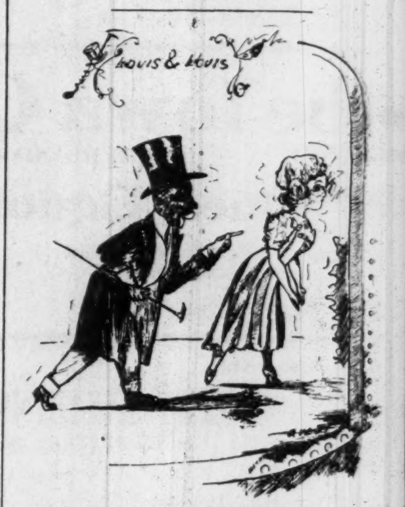
Illustrations and articles of much importance will appear in the annual spring number and baseball edition of The Freeman.

MISS TANSEL



Lewis and Lewis made their initial appearance to an Indianapolis audience Monday night at the Crown Garden and proceeded to make good. Others on the bill were Seals and Fisher, Olie Young, wire artist, Alice Crockett, soubrette, and John Does.

"JOLLY" JOHN LARKINS

And Associate Performers, Present "Royal Sam," New Musical Comedy.

St. Joseph, Mo.—"Jolly" John Larkins, the colored comedian, came to the Lyceum last night in a new musical comedy, "Royal Sam," supported by a big company of Negro performers. Larkins isn't so well known here as that other Negro funmaker, S. H. Dudley, but he drew a good sized audience, and the two balconies, reserved for the members of his own race, were well filled, and the appreciation evinced from that quarter demonstrated that he had made good. "He has a much better voice than Dudley, and he radiates and bubbles over with continual good humor. He sang a half dozen songs that were all received with great favor, but his best numbers were "The Great I Am" and "My Own Adopted Child." Jennie Pearl also made a good impression in several tuneful numbers, including "Dream of My Dreams" and "Beautiful Love." There are other good voices among the principals, worthy of mention being Miss Anita Wilkins, Miss Carlotta Freeman and J. Francis Mores. The mixed chorus isn't numerically large, but it produces a surprising volume of sound. There are eighteen song numbers in the three acts, and yet the performers were not at all averse to responding to encores. A feature is the variety of gaudy clothes that Larkin wears. At one time he came out in a rich pink satin costume, with hat to match, that created no end of admiration from the upper portion of the house. The company is booked for the remainder of the week, and there will be a Saturday matinee.

TO MR. RUSSELL.

I read your article and in reply will say I did not ask your advice as to how to form a syndicate. Nor do I care to give you a lot of newspaper notoriety. So to make it short if I'm successful in forming a colored circuit, I may give you a job as office boy and pay you $5 or $6 per week. That's more than you're worth, still I believe in helping the poor Negro all I can as this is a Negro enterprise I'm interested in, it is up to me. I have succeeded in raising the $500,000 I wanted and will rent, buy on build theaters in the cities where I can interest local capital, and for several business reasons I will not try to operate the circuit until after the election.

Have you got me, Russ? Now, I have no time to argue with you through The Freeman columns, as this paper is recognized as the leading colored paper, and its columns should be devoted to something more interesting than an argument between Russell and myself.

So I will not use the valuable space for the same. Now, I suppose Mr. Russell will have three columns in his next writing, but I will in no way answer him nor argue through the paper. Remember, Mr. Russell, if it does not cost any more than it did the last time for your right eye, I might have some experienced judge to appraise the left one. If not, wait until I come to Chicago and I'll take you out to the cafe and see that you get another square meal. I know that they are few and far between, but you deserve at least two (2) square meals a year. I've given you one and I may give you another.

Respectfully, S. H. DUDLEY.

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE
R.C. BUCKNER

O. You Carita, winning big in Indianapolis this week.

May and May (String Beans) in Jacksonville, Fla., at the Globe theater.

The Raineys are in their fourth week at the Globe theater, Jacksonville, Fla.

Vance Lowry, comical banjo king, opens in Philadelphia on United time March 11.

S. H. Dudely, actor, and Sylvester Russell, critic, have again opened up hostilities.

What's that? Mix up in Louisville? For de Lawd's sake. What did dey do dat fur?

Happy S. Lockhart Minstrel Maid and Musical Comedy Co., is in the state of Missouri; going South. Making good.

Rumors of a greater Crown Theater in Indianapolis will not down. It ought to be a go, since the Walker Theater fails to revive.

The celebrated Leon, magician and ventriloquist, opened at the Belmont theater, Pensacola, Fla., week of February 19th, for two weeks.

Coates and Grundy are at the Empire Theater, Indianapolis, this week in the famous Watermelon Trust. The team scored its usual success.

Porter & Porter have closed a six weeks engagement at the Globe Theater, Jacksonville, Fla. Have opened up at the Peking, Savannah, Ga.

Jessie Mitchell, of the Three Dancing Mitchells, has secured Vance Lowry, banjo king, for a return engagement at his theater in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Le Vola, slack wire king, closed a successful engagement at the Lincoln Theater, Jacksonville, Fla., where he was featured as the midair wonder.

Harry A. Southard, one of the three best slide trombone soloists of this country, will return to the East after spending four years on the Pacific coast.

The Russells, Joe and Amanda, were at the National theater, Detroit, last week. The Pumpkin Colored Trio appeared on the same bill. Both acts went big.

Bessie Edington, a noted singing and dancing soubret of the south, making good as she goes. A feature attraction of every bill. Will soon open in New York City.

The Ramsey Sisters have just closed a successful four weeks engagement at the Dixie Theater, Richmond, Va. Are now at the Foraker Theater, Washington, D. C.

The team of Mills and Tansel, while playing the Pekin theater in Cincinnati, O., stopped at Madam M. Wothy's, and they say it is the best place for performers.

Willie Owen, the "Tennessee Kid," is still leaving the audience screaming nightly with his funny sayings and parodies at the Booker Washington Theater, *St. Louis, Mo.*

Thornton & Long closed a successful engagement at the Lyric Theater and opened an extraordinary engagement at the Queen Theater for one week at Wilmington, N. C.

Mrs. Henry Saparo, of Chicago, joined her husband, Henry, this week in Indianapolis. Mr. Saparo is one of the Pumpkin Colored Trio, now filling an engagement at the Gayety theater.

The Alcazar Theater, Galveston, Tex., is still sending them away nightly. Geo. Centers and Sandy Burns are holding their own. Rae Wallbury, the little woman with the big voice, made quite a hit singing "Fishing."

Mose McQuitty, that sensational baritone player, joined Dana Thompson's Famous Sunny Dixie Minstrels at Jacksonville, Fla., February 1. Mr. Thompson now has a fourteen-piece band and they sure play some music.

Mrs. Jennie Turner, of 4740 Dearborn street, and Mr. W. E. Warren, of 3750 Rhodes avenue, Chicago, Ill., were called to Nashville, Tenn., on account of the death of Mr. Warren's mother, Mrs. Julia Warren, who departed this life January 17.

Mme. Anita Patti Brown heralded as the greatest coloratura soprano soloist, now traveling, had great success in her British West Indies. The madame is an Indianapolis production. The people here brand their "wares" "Made in Indianapolis," standing for quality like goods "made in Germany."

Madam E. Azalia Hackley is having success with her musical lecture, "A Night in Paris," down in Texas. Her entertainments are guaranteed. She sings French songs "done in English," and talks on phases of Parisian life. Judging from the program at Galveston, her audience there enjoyed a rare, rich treat, such as only the few can give.

Frank Kirk, the musical tramp, writes, "While playing the Lyda theater in Chicago was billed heavy as the man that makes you laugh from start to finish, over-lived up to the billing at each performance." P. S. "Mr. Jos. S. Watts, every word of your write-up is true and of the old school. Good for you, Mr. Watts, I'm with you; be original, then you fear no one."

The Pumpkin Colored Trio, in Indianapolis this week at the aGyety Theater. A very snappy proposition. They proved a jolly set that caught the patrons from the jump. Saparo, straight man, and Perrin comedian, are equally clever. Both were liberally applauded. The lady, Miss Crossly, is a pleasing little personalty, a strong link in the chain. The act is a help to the bill. It consists of neat steps, entertaining talks, tuneful ditties and stage play in general.

THE FINAL CONCERT GIVEN BY MADAME PATTI BROWN.

A Large and Aprreciative Audience Heard Popular Singer.

Kingston, Jamaica.—The Conversorium was packed to its utmost seating and standing capacity Tuesday night, a large percentage of the audience was made up of society folk of Kingston and St. Andrew, when Madame Anita Patti Brown, of Chicago, U. S. A., gave her final concerrt in this island, which she has toured for the past two or three months. Madame Brown was supported by Mrs. L. Smith, the clever elocutionist and monologist.

The audience had come expecting to hear something exceptionally fine from the talented artists, and their expectations were fully realized. Madame Brown was in magnificent voice and in the opinion of many in that crowded house her singing was the finest ever heard in this island so far as memory goes. Her articulation and vocalization were flawless. and the audience showed its delight in general applause. Equally brilliant in her line was Mrs. Smith, who, as an elocutionist is as fine as any ever seen in Jamaica. Her interpretation of the parts "Suspicion" and "Charity," in a sketch written by Mrs. Smith exclusively for Miss Brown and herself, was particularly brilliant, while her "Southern Darkey Party," given in the speech on the "Darkies Below Dixie Line," kept the audience in roars of laughter.

The program opened with a serlection on the pianoforte by Mrs. Smith, and then Madame Brown, in costume, interpreted Faust's Marguerite for which she was enthusiastically encored. Mrs. Smith won fresh laurels with Baker's "Aux Italien," and Madame Brown, in costume, warbled the Indian Bell song, from Lackme.

After the sketch, "A Dream," already referred to, Madame Brown sang "Voci di Primerva" (in Italian), "I Saw Them Kiss" and "Coming thro' the Rye," the last named bringing the house to its feet to applaud. Never before had the popular old ditty been so sweetly interpreted. Mrs. Smith gave her "Southern Darky Party," and we cannot say too much praise of this clever cultured all round artist.

In conclusion, Madame Brown sang "A Child's Prayer," then (by special request) "The Last Rose of Summer," in which she roused her audience to deep emotion, and Tosti's "Good-Bye"—the song which never dies.

Just as the audience rose to leave, Madame Brown and Mrs. Smith broke into that grand old song, "Home, Sweet Home," an appropriate ending to a magnificent program.

THE PUMPKIN COLORED TRIO.

Perrin, Crossby and Saparo have been such a pronounced hit on the Gus Sun timefi that last week while playing at Springfield, O., at Mr. Sun's theater, Mr. Sun, after seeing the act, immediately gave them contracts over his circuit up to May. This is the largest consecutive number of weeks ever tendered to any colored act by Mr. Sun. It goes to show that good deportment an dreliability count. Keep a cool head, work hard, then all will be "sididus."

CINCINNATI THEATRICALS.

The Pekin theater is attracting its usual large crowds this week. The bill is a new one, which always helps the box office along. Miss Cordelia Reed, another one of Cincinnati's own, was given a tryout, upon the recommendation of Col. Sam Brown, and our ever popular colonel was there with the good guess, for the little lady was there with the sweet voice, and with a little prompting she should be heard from further up the line, if given a chance. Good singing and dancing and a funny line of tobasco sauce talk, is about the only way of describing "The Michaels," a new team closing the bill. The male member of the team is a stranger to the Pekin patrons and he made good on the opening, while the lady, who is well known here, was given a tremendous ovation when she made her appearance before the footlights. She has a beautiful voice and is a clever dancer. A good business is the prediction for the Pekin all week.

Notes.

Mr. Wm. Lewis, of Chicago, passed through this city, en route home last week.

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Mr. Ed. Gaither's fine touring car is attracting general attention during the big automobile show at Music hall.

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Sid Bell, a well-known man about town, died in this city last week, from a complication of diseases. His remains were shipped to his former home in Lexington, Ky. Mr. Fred Doll and Charles Helms, life-long friends, looked after the funeral arrangements in this city.

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The Hamilton county court house has been crowded all week, during the trial of Fred Willis, who killed Hiram Hendricks a few months ago at the Sunny South saloon, on Sixth avenue. Mr. A. L. Beatty, our well-known attorney, is assisting the prosecution.

THE ALABAMA MINSTRELS EN ROUTE.

We made our first stand, under canvas, yesterday, at Ennis, Texas, to a fine house, and the show went as smooth as if it had been on the road for weeks. Am proud to say that we have a fine bunch of people here. Twenty-nine colored people, fourteen-piece band, six ladies on the stage, six end men, ten white working men. Our first part opens with overture of burnt cork, which starts the ball rolling, with Joe and Eugene Clark with tambourine and bone solos. Grand finale, Miss Hicks featuring "The Monkey Rag," with little Willie Edwards as the monkey. Olio opens with Watts and Edwards, then follows McFarland, monologist, then Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, sketch artists; Alma Williams, song and dance artist. Our after piece is a scream, "Bad Girl From Pinch." W. E. Pace has the band, and is enlarging it as fast as he can get musicians that can handle standard music. Wallace Peterson, orchestra leader, with nine pieces. I have entire charge of the stage. Am proud to say that we have two Pullman cars and not box cars, as most colored shows have. Our accommodations are of the best. Can't speak highly enough of the treatment we get, as our manager, C. L. Erickson, is one of the best men I have ever worked for. Colored performers take notice, as this is a home for good people, and as to getting the show before the public, Mr. Erickson is sparing no pains as there are three men ahead of the show, and when the show arrives in town, we look the part.

"HOTTEST COON IN DIXIE" CHANGES HANDS.

Will Car rington, of the team of Juniper and Carrington, is proprietor and manager of the company. The show carries twenty-one people, band and orchestra and in the future will be known as The King of Dixie and playing the middle west. This week Pekin Theater, Chicago. Regards to profession.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW

By Sylvester Russell

WILSON & DEWEY AT THE MONOGRAM.

Mabel Gant Charms in New Songs Dancing.

Quite the heaviest attraction on the Stroll this week is Alf. Wilson and William Dewey, a team of truly great comedians who held over from last week to deliver an entirely new act that was fully up to the standard of last week's record. Wilson, who is truly a masterpiece as a straight man, won high favor in a song which reminded us of George W. Walker, and his comedy work, too, indicated some class. Dewey, the most promising young comedian we have seen this season, was there again with the goods, and with his magnificent tenor voice held everybody spellbound with his songs. Miss Mabel Gant made her first appearance since her return from the East, and showed no traces of her recent illness. She wore a charming new wardrobe and sang songs which attracted. She was as bewitching as ever and her dancing won vociferous applause. Mills and Tansell made their re-appearance and repeated their former success. Billy Mills brought forth the usual amount of generous laughter in his monologue, and Miss Tansell again made a hit with her phenomenal alto voice, and the "Chicken Reel" song was re-demanded. Claude Winfrey, in a monologue, was highly pleasing.

ANOTHER BIG BILL AT THE NEW GRAND.

A. W. Greer Scores on the Last Half. New Picture Bill at the Phoenix.

The Five Juggling Jordans were very good club jugglers, and Santucci, an accordeon player, gave a number from Trovatore, while not artistic perfection, was notably florid in its beauty of rendition. This and "Beautiful Doll" won well-earned applause. "Three Dreamers" was an entertaining trio of song comedians, who won by clever devices. Sadie Sherman, in mimic recitation and dialect character, made a favorable impression, and Lorraine and Dudley, in "The Finish," was a typewriter's love story. The last half of the week had Con and Conrad, comical balancers, who were good, and Maurice Samuels and company, in a "Day at Ellis Island." Mr. Samuels proved to be a fine artist actor in Italian character. The colored acts were Miller and Lyles, who finished out the week. A. W. Greer was a monologue artist of much ability, whose work was both clever and original. He whittled a stick as a novel addition to his talk, which was highly entertaining. The Grand can stand Mr. Greer soon again. "Barnyard Frolickers" was a good plantation comedy act, in which Campbell Warfield and Henderson scored heavily and the chorus, which had pretty girls, was attractive in songs and dances. "The Railroad Builders" and "Marathon Race" were inspiring pictures. Frank Tate, the best violinist who ever served in the Grand orchestra, did not return, having accepted another job downtown.

"For the Cause of the South" and "The Mission Father" were notable among the good pictures together with the splendid, lively and symphonic music of the orchestra and the novel gunnonading of the trap drummer added spirit to the illusion. The new illustrated song by Mrs. Patton was entitled "The Hour That Gave You Me." This house is soon to inaugurate 3 o'clock matinees daily.

Jacob Nelson has left the hospital very much improved, after a sudden attack of rheumatism.

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The road to intelligence is not a wide open street, but a long narrow lane. This is one reason why so many actors, musicians and even some managers are unable to understand newspaper men, who have become famous by first having to deliver the goods and convince the public that they are possessed of just a portion of mother-wit brains. Theater problems are funny things where men have no money, no ability and no prestige. Now, how can such men give orders to a successful newspaper man, when they, themselves, need the aid of the press.

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Charles R. Reese and Gladys Edwards, singers, were recently married at Olivet church.

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Jack Johnson is said to have done a little vaudeville skit at the Haymarket theater, assisted by Miss Ada Banks, a few weeks ago.

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Sidney L. Perrin, of the Pumpkin Colored Trio, which includes Goldie Crosby and Henry Saparo, are at the Gaiety, Indianapolis, Ind., with Columbus, Toledo and Cleveland, O., to follow. I am admonished by Mr. Perrin to keep a cool head, for which I thank him.

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George R. Garner, Jr., is to give a recital on April 8. Mr. Garner did not accept an offer made by the management of the Choral Study Club, owing to a financial difference.

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Mrs. L. B. Tidwell, mother of Aubrey Lyles, of Miller and Lyles, has been very ill with a nervous breakdown at her home in this city. The team jumped from New York to play the Grand theater, in favor of Mr. Lyle's visit.

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Joe Jordan, the composer, who is now doing a sketch with Maud Turner, arrived in the city last week to be at the bedside of his mother, who is dangerously ill. Mr. Jordan left Berlin, Germany, on January 28, in response to a dispatch from home.

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I took a run down to the Majestic theater to see Eva Tanguay, that bewitching little creature who sings songs about herself and hollers so loud. She sings about the "Tanguay Rag" and about people who gave an imitation of her, and then she screams "I don't care." I also heard a good trio of mefale singers who appeared at the Grand earlier in the season under another name. Why change their name?

Solution of the Valuation and Depreciation of Musicians as a Problem.

It has been some little time since I have had occasion to speak on the problem of musicians. The white musicians are fortunate in having a strong, intelligent organization, which not only relieves managers of the burden of adjusting their differences, but prohibits them. Leaders are competent and their power is exacted by the organization, and the schedule of union prices is established. With the colored musicians it is different. Some belong to the uion and some do not. None of them get union prices, except that Manager Klein, of the Monogram, pays musicians according to their ability. Sweatman got more money than any white clarionetist in an orchestra. Dorsey gets a union leader's salary, and Reeves, the trap drummer, whom I consider a greater artist than Bert A. Williams while a trap drummer, gets a higher salary than any other colored trap drummer.

Now, in the adjustment of factional and financial differences and competent ability it would be only necessary for all the musicians who are not in the Federation of Musicians' Union to become members. The question of treating with musicians is a most exacting one. The very best musicians, as a rule, who are possessed of genius, have artistic temperaments. However young they may be, their work has consisted of arduous study and persistent practice, and the jolts of teachers and jeers from other people while they were incompetent. When they become competent by indorsements from greater musicians, who are the best judges, and by well-known, capable critics, they at once come into demand, and their chances for making a living are established, and they at once become sensitive to the command or insults of all people concerned, either above them or beneath them. In most cases musicians come from the best families in every walk of life, whose parents have labored for their welfare and teaching. They are usually better bred and superior in qualities to their surroundings in the show profession.

Musicians of great talent are most always nervous and independent, for reasons already explained, and daily they are subjected to the hen-pecking of many performers who are ignorant and unreasonable. In dealing with musicians, not more than one manager of a house should treat with them. If a musician drinks, no manager can stop him by a rough command; he can only request him not to drink in the daytime through the medium of friendship and cordiality; and "fines" are robbery, except in very exceptional cases, to serve as a reprimand.

The position of a leader is quite the same as that of a manager—he cannot command by force without weakening his own importance. Everything has to be adjusted by courtesy and intelligence to be successful. If a leader is inferior in ability to his musicians, they are always aware of it and are sensitive to his self-importance, if exhibited, and envy his position only from a financial standpoint. With all due respect to the managers, if a corps of musicians is not paid standard prices, too much cannot be expected of their perfections in private life if they take it out in brooding over affronts from superiors, and if their claims for a raise in salary are just, even if not union men, their individual ability should be considered.

In the meantime the musicians will bear in mind that it is their duty to be cordial and willing and liberal in their efforts to please managers, agree with their leaders and serve performers while in the pit to the best of their ability in appreciation for the kind words which have been spoken for them and for the public that indorses them.

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A TALE OF EMPTY LIFE.

Where heaping errors quaff love's sorrow,
  Through life's temporal road,
The innate rose of a thorny bush,
  Brings the heart of a heavy load.

Today's deception weeps tomorrow,
  Lost in spiteful strife;
"For the one you love, none can replace"
  Is a tale of empty life.
—SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

EASTERN THEATRICALS.

By Billy E. Jones.

Gilmore, Kinky and Gilmore opened the bill at the Howard theater, Washington, D. C., last Monday in a neat, refined singing and dancing specialty, this being their second week here. Having reviewed this act last week, I will say that their song, "Please Don't Shake It Baby While I'm Gone," is one big applause winner.

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The Wizards, two women, were next on the bill. One of the women is possessed of a rich contralto voice, used effectively in the number, "Harbor of Love," which gained immediate applause. The act is pleasing.

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Montgomery and McClain, a man and a woman, please immensely, the woman being exceedingly clever in her work, and getting over her song, "Carolina Rag," in great style. She would do well in a big production if given the opportunity.

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Anderson and Goins are scoring a big success on Loen's time. This week they are playing at the Alhambra theater, at Stanford, Conn.

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Jones and Grant at Court theater, in Newark, N. J., this week.

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Black and Jones at Greeley Square theater, New York City.

Brown and Nevaro opened last Monday at Lincoln Square theater, New York City.

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Cook and Stevens at South End theater, Boston, Mass., and last three days at the Orpheum.

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Ed. Tolliver at the Hub theater, Boston.

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The Sambo Girls, with Edgar Connor, at Poli's theater, Bridgeport, Conn.

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Sandifer and Criswell at the Fairyland theater, Washington, D. C.

The piece orchestra, piano and drums, is quite an attraction at the Faryland theater, and when these boys get through playing they make them all sit up and take notice. The manager, Mr. Luke Kearney, is well pleased.

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"My Friend From Dixie" at the Howard theater, Washington, D. C., this week.

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John F. Foster at Ford Dabney's theater, Washington, this week.

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Malloy and McKenzie close two successful weeks in Washington. Will now form a quartette to open some time in Philadelphia, then will appear in New York City. We wish them success in their new venture.

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To the ladies of the profession: When playing Washington, D. C., would do well to visit the hair dressing parlors of Syphax & Downey, manufacturers of the Ora Criswell puff. When in Washington, call at 1832 Seventh street, N. W.

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A contract for a term of three years was executed last Saturday between F. Ziegfeld and Bert Williams. Before the expiration of that contract Williams will be starred by Ziegfeld in a comedy, meanwhile he will play the engagements previously outlined by his manager. He will remain with the Follies of 1911 until the end of its tour and then begin rehearsals for the Follies of 1912, which will be produced at the Jardin-de-Paris early in June, in eNw York City.

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Miss Emma Skinner, singing comedienne, at the Crescent theater, New York, N. Y.

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The Miller Family, musical artists, who have been playing successfully in Washington all winter, are getting ready for their summer tour, which will begin early.

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Ernest Smith, the magician, formerly of Washington, D. C., now at Atlantic City, with his brother, Eugene Hellman, will appear in vaudeville at the beginning of next season.

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To the colored actor and show manager: The show business of today is getting good for the colored performers in colored houses, and bad in white houses. White managers have reached the point where they want to show the colored actor that he is not what he thinks he is worth. Colored performers must learn to keep their contracts where they belong and their tongues likewise, and also quit knocking. He must keep his business strictly to himself. If he is getting a good salary or if he is getting a small aslary it is his business and should not be made the subject of a lengthy and indiscreet discussion at the club, cafe or restaurant. Such discussions invariably end in one actor knocking the other, as one will through spite or some other motive tell a manager that a certain actor received only so much and in this way lead the manager to think that the actor under discussion is not worth the salary he asks. Such a conclusion is not just nor in keeping with known facts, as some acts are worth more than others in certain houses. An example was furnished last week, where two acts were placed on the same bill and the smaller of the two got more encores than the larger act with an established reputation. Hence the cheapest act in the country may go bigger in one house than the headliner, while in another house it would be a frost. This only shows that performers should not think that they have the best act on earth and that they cannot afford to knock as the tables may turn and put the other fellow on top. The performers must understand thoroughly their relations and must follow with absolute businesslike sincerity the provisions of their contracts. Today the public would not take kindly to the drama presented by these actors. But an act written along the lines of a comedy-drama, with just enough comedy to relieve the heaviness of the drama and with a flashing, bright ending, would go very well and offer opportunities for clever acting and amusing situations. Such a playlet, say four characters and doing forty minutes, will be offered at the Howard theater, in Washington, D. C., in the near future. Lew Henry, stage manager Howard theater.

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The Kemps are at the Savoy theater, Atlantic City, N. J.

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Gilmore, Kinky and Gilmore at Auditorium theater, Philadelphia, Pa.

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Aida Overton Walker and company are creating quite a sensation on the Orpheum circuit. They are routed until July over this time, and then will leave for England, to fill some old contracts. Miss Walker and her company appeared at the Orpheum theater, Kansas City, Mo., last week and the press and public were loud in their praise of this condensed musical comedy. This week the act is playing at Sioux City, Ia.

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Miss Bessie Gibson, well known soprano, of Washington, D. C., is rehearsing some new numbers.

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The Spellman Duo is still scoring a success with Uncle Tom's Cabin, with their singing and dancing numbers. They are booked for the season with this company.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Frank La Vards Holiday in Dixie minstrels, was at the Grand theater, February 8, 9 and 10, and played to a fair attendance, as the thermometer was below zero. Kid Carl, the talking man, was the feature of the show....Mr. Ed Reynolds entered the Mt. Vernon sanitarium on February 10, for an operation for a cancerous growth in the stomach ....Mr. Miles Carr, of Xenia, is in the city on business....There was a near wedding last week......The Twentieth Century Club met at the residence of Mrs. John C. May on February 11th. It was a business meeting, after which the hostess served a delightful luncheon....Calvary Baptist church, Rev. A. A. Hampton, pastor, services as usual; Sunday school at 9 a. m., Mr. Chas. Blake, superintendent....Wayman Chapel A. M. E. church, Rev. John Coleman, pastor; Sunday school at 9 a. m., Mr. A. H. Simmons, superintendent; preaching by pastor at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m. Endeavor meeting ot 6 p. m.

ROUTE.

RICHARD AND PRINGLE MINSTRELS—Cisco, Tex., Feb. 26; Thuber, 27; Ft. Worth, 28.

LOWERY AND MORGANS MINSTRELS—Aledo, Ill., Feb. 26; Princeton, 27; Savanna, March 1; Sherrard, 2.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY CO.—Concord, N. C., Feb. 26; Greensboro, 27; Winston-Salem, 28; Roanoke, Va., 29; Lynchburg, March 1; South Boston, 2.

"JOLLY" JOHN LARKINS IN ROYAL SAM—Havlin's Theater, St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 25 to March 2.

S. TUTT WHITNEY IN SOUTHERN SMART SET—Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 26 to 29; Frankfort, Ky., March 1.

McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS—Ottawa, Kan., Feb. 26; Waverly, 27; Lawrence, March 1.

VAUDEVILLE.

PEKIN COLORED TRIO—Grand Theater, Columbus, O., week of Feb. 26.

GORDON AND STAFFORD—Berlin, N. H., week of Feb. 26.

THE RUSSELLS, JOE AND ARMANDA—Shindler's Theater, Chicago, week of Feb. 26.

FRANK KIRK—Casino Theater, Chicago, week of Feb. 26.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Anderson, Richard.
Alford, John.
Boyd, Al.
Beaman, Chicken
Bowman, W. H.
The Bruces
Cross, T. R.
Crump, Geo.
Clark, H. G.
Dukes, Frank H.
Dudley, E. B.
Elliott, E. J.
Fitts, S. F.
Green, Geo.
Graham, P. G.
Harris, Geo.
Hull, D. R.
Hughes, Atrus
The Jolly Hendersons
Jones, Billy
Jones, Archie
Mayfield, W. M.
Moore, Alonzo
Moppin, Pearl.
Hicks, T. J.
Mores, J. Francis
McCamon, J. H.
Nicholas, Rufus
Peremound, Frank
Pugh Emanuel.
Price, Thomas
Rucker, John
Sheftel, Joseph.
Smith, Dave
Stewart, Richard H.
Smith, D. D.
Smith, James
Sadler, Wm.
Taylor, Miss Marg'te
Timmons, Willie.
Veneable, Ellek
Valentine, Alex
Verner, Harry.
Wolfscale, Geo.
Wise, Hen.
Winn, oJe.
Wallburg, James
Williams, J. H.
Webb, Joe.
Wallburg, Hamdy.

Ladies' List.

Bright, Miss Gussie.
Edwards, Laura
Fairfax, Mabel
Johnson, Mrs. Lulu.
Leggs, Miss Tussie
Moore, Miss Maggie
Marion, Miss Glenn
Michaels, Leoara
Moore, Miss Mazie
Nugent, Carrie
Smith, Miss Augustus
Shaw, Blanche.
Tryer, Miss Ethel

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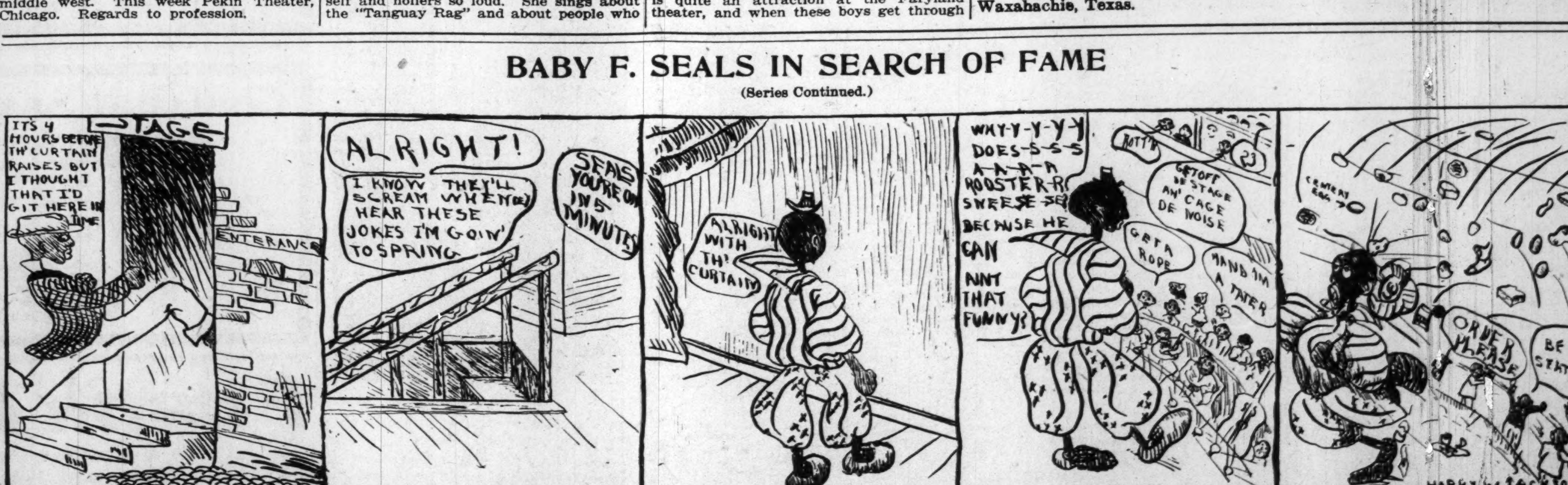
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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE

Lewis and Lewis are holdovers at the Gem theater, Lexington, Ky., this week. They are going fine.

Chas. English, of the Sunny Dixie minstrels, has joined the Dandy Dixie minstrels, At Monroe, La., last week.

Wilson H. Kyer (Peaches) would like to hear from L. H. La She, wire walker. Write 1627 Montrose street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Lou Hall, another Bert Williams, of the South, has closed a five weeks' engagement at the Imperial theater, Jackson, Tenn. Now en route to Meridian, Miss., to the Acme theater.

That mysterious trio, Green, Pough and Green, are still on the go. Just closed a successful engagement at Columbus, S. C., and opened at the new Lincoln theater, Jacksonville, Fla., Monday, February 12.

Marvelous "La Vola" was a drawing card for the Lincoln theater, at Jacksonville, Fla., this week, and is said by press and public to be one of the most marvelous slack wire artists in the world. He is a mid-air wonder.

Jos. C. Rhodes, the marvelous contortionist, is off the sick list, and is doing fine at New Orleans. He expects to have his new act ready for the coming season. He will have his original scenic production, entitled "A Night in a Grave Yard."

Stovall and Mitchell have joined hands with Thomas H. Dumas, and are making a trio, which will be known as "That Dumas Trio," working week of the 12th at the Coloseum theater at Mt. Oliver, Pa., with Carnegie, Pa., and Mt. Washington to follow. After finishing these engagements on Sun time, will leave for Washington, D. C., to do five weeks.

Bessie Edgington at Lincoln theater, Jacksonville, Fla., singing and dancing soubrette, is recognized to be the champion buck and wing dancer and comedienne of the South. She is the feature act at all the first class play-houses. She is scoring a big success with "That Carolina Rag." She takes a half dozen encores at each performance singing and dancing. Was a big drawing card on the bill this week. She has the goods and knows how to deliver them.

GLOBE THEATER, JACKSONVILLE, FLA.

Lillard and McClain opened their week at the Globe theater as producing managers. Mr. Lillard's singing was highly appreciated, and Mr. McClain's comedy went good. Mr. Butler May, of May and May, better known as String Beans, is stage manager. They are playing to crowded houses.

A NATIVE HAWAIIAN IN VAUDEVILLE.

While in the Hawaiian Islands, I visited one of the vaudeville houses in the city of Honolulu. Lord A. Constellawaii, known in the United States as Loui Constellawaii, was third to last on the bill. He has a good act of its kind. He does a lightning change of costumes of three varieties, and the music, songs and the kind of dancing required seems to blend very nicely. He has a very good voice that contains a strong, rich clear tone, and much expression. He made his first appearance with W. A. Mahara's minstrels, and then with the Kentucky Stock Company, under the direction of Attress Hught, musical director, and Qualli Henry Clark, stage manager and band director. Then he had his first vaudeville experience in Kansas City. Next he was engaged as interlocutor of the Nashville Students Minstrel Company, under direction of H. Hull and T. J. Couligan. His next engagement was with a wester ncompany, known as "The Gratifiers." He was next engaged by Berte Pitman, who booked him, and the Rose City Quartette for a few weeks, then he was handed over to the S. & C. time, from there to Pantages. He sends his best regards to all the stage folk. Also would like to hear from Qualle H. Clark and wife, Prof. Attress Hughes, Frank Hughes, Sloan Edwards and Arthur White. L. A. Constellawaii, address, Care Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING.

(By S. Tutt Whitney.)

Through the combined efforts of our efficient manager, Mr. T. L. Corwell, and our energetic advance manager, Mr. J. Martin Free, our colored patrons have been able to see the Smart Set show for the first time from any part of the house in the following cities: Albany and Americus, Ga.; Orangeburg, S. C.; Florence, Wilmington, Raleigh, Winston-Salem and Greensboro, N. C.

To break down the inherited prejudice of a Southern white man and induce him by any line of reasoning to admit a Negro upon terms of equality is no small accomplishment. This is what Mr. Corwell and Mr. Free succeeded in doing. The financial results to the theater and the show proved the wisdom of the experiment.

The colored people have been quick to take advantage of the opportunity and attested their appreciation by filling every inch of the spacious auditorium.

I have never played before finer audiences, from any point of view, than these Southern audiences. People of intelligence, refinement and culture, that have steadfastly refused to be "jim-crowed," were represented. Every color was in evidence, from ebony black, chocolate brown, high "yaller" to caucasian white, the composite making a boquet of variegated colors that would be the envy of any florist, for the boquets contained many black roses, the bete noire of all hower culturists.

White folks may make the fashions, but it takes colored folks to properly display them. The ability to look well in one's clothes comes naturally to the Negro. These audiences represented the acme of fashionable dressing.

The deportment was excellent. The ubiquitous theater nuisance who laughs longer and louder than anyone else and comments upon the show in a loud voice was missing from these all-colored audiences.

No artist could ask for more enthusiasm. These audiences are quick to interpret an artist's meaning, and equally quick with their manifestations of approval. If a performer's work fails to go in the South, it is the fault of the performer and not the audience.

Every audience is the same, yet different. I'll explain this seeming paradox. Any audience will appreciate a good show. One may be delighted most with the singing, another will prefer the comedy, while another will grow hilarious over the artistic demonstrations of the terpischorean art.

I find it impossible to work in the same manner to any two audiences. With one I rely upon physical comedy to gain the best results. With another I make my comedy appeal directly to the intelligence of the udience. Again, after listening to the twenty minutes of show prior to my initial entrance, I know before hand that I can gain more general approval from this audience by placing special stress upon my singing. A matinee will differ from a night audience in the same town. Sometimes a company will please at a matinee performance and fail miserably at night, or vice versa. In my experience I find that the hardest to please are rainy night and holiday audiences. I always imagine they are saying: "See here, I have come out through the rain, or I'm missing lots of fun to see this show, now you've got to show me."

Just why Northern performers imagine it is easier to please a Southern than it is a Northern audience I have never been able to conceive. In the South the Negro is at home, and the most conspicuous element in his effervescent humor. Every other man or boy one meets on the street corner is a natural-born comedian, so a a comedian has his work ctu out for him before he faces the audience. If one is a dancer, he need not go far to find a barefoot boy who can eclipse one's best effort. And we are all willing to concede that the Southern Negro can sing.

The wealthy Negroes of the South—and there are many—travel to all parts of the country, see and hear the best; consequently they are not easily hoodwinked.

One characteristic of these Southern audiences that has impressed me deeply is their wonderful memory. Owing to the "jim-crow" laws very few colored people attend white shows, and the four or five colored shows they see during a season seem to accelerate their powers of assimilation. They will memorize all the jokes and essential points of a show at one performance. If one attempts to spring a last season's joke on one of these audiences it is dollars to doughnuts that some urchin will finish the joke from the gallery.

I have always been sorry that the limited seating capacity for colored people in the smaller towns makes it impossible to carry as large a production through the South as the North, East and West.

The ministers throughout the South are for the most part liberal in their views regarding colored shows. Many of them encourage their members to attend. They seem to realize the remarkable influence for good that a clean, intelligent, up-to-date colored show has upon any community.

In Henderson, Ky., where I had the pleasure of singing a sacred solo at the colored Episcopal Church, the rector made "Stage Folk" the subject of his discourse, exhorting them to "acquit themselves like men;" not to be insensible to the potent influence for good or ill that it is within their power to weild, and to render to God a just account of the talents He has placed within their keeping.

NEGRO STARS—THEATERS AND SHOWS.

By Fiddler and Shelton, of the Orpheum Four.

In reading an article in your of recent publication, we find a very strong letter from our brother and friend in the profession, S. H. Dudley.

A master thought, an upward move towards the betterment of the condition of the Negro as an entertainer and performer.

Vaudeville has its limits as far as the colored performer is concerned. Seldo mis he headlined or featured, but many times becomes a close competitor, as in the case of Bert Williams, Cooper and Robinson, and a few others, who are often the hit of many a vaudeville bill. So different is it in an all colored show, as one may have opportunities unbounded to perfect himself for the much-coveted position of star or headliner.

Just to recall a few little things that were possibly overlooked unintentionally by some of our writers or stars of our shows that have passed.

They made provision for the stellar faction to stand alone and to take up time in shows that could easily have been employed by those in the ranks, which would have shown the management the good material he was employing, and in the passing away of our stars, their places could have been filled as the manager would have seen the plausibility in giving the man or woman who had shown his or her ability, a chance to head a show. In fact, with a few exceptions there were no understudies in our colored shows. We wonder why. The slogan seemed to be, "once a chorus man always a chorus man." So in the passing of our stars, the manager knew of no one of ability or who had been given the chance, to show their talent along the stellar line. Simply because the so-called position in Negro shows was held in close confines.

The cry was "let them come up, as I did." But, we ask, "was I ever restricted Did anything etaoin ½⅜tfl. etaoin ed? Should anything that I do or suggest be labeled 'inconsistent, not in keeping'?"

But we are digressing. What we wish to speak of was along the lines of Dudley's letter. Just imagine what it would mean to the Negro performer to establish a wheel or circuit of shows and theaters. Sixteen weeks, sixteen theaters, sixteen shows with return engagements, making thirty-two weeks in each season. Just imagine the strength of these shows. How one show would work to become a better show than the one following or preceding. Look at the opportunities for our colored writers, musicians and such. The time is now ripe. Negro financiers get together, look this scheme square in the face. Progression along the lines of show business is bound to come, and the Negro, as an entertainer, will be a commodity, a diversion, because he is original and lends color to the stage.

The stage is elevating, a vocation for those who have talent along that line. The Negro can put on good wholesome shows and will attract both white and black to the theaters. As Mr. Dudley says, there are theaters in cities where the Negroes are thickly settled that can be leased. We have capable comedians, singers, dancers, also novelty acts enough to place from sixteen to twenty shows.

Get the theaters and we are sure the shows will be easily enough organized. We can at this time call to mind performers who will stand at the head of such organizations and will fill the stellar roles. Bert Williams, S. H. Dudley, John Larkins, John Rucker, Salem Tutt Whitney, Sam Gaines, Miller and Lyles, Avery and Hart, Cooper and Robinson, Stewart and Marshall, Billy Harper, Clarence Powell and many others we might mention. Get the theaters and all things will fall in line.

All sucecss to the movement which will mean employment to our talented men and women. So we say, like the Irishman, "All power to ye, Dudley."

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BILLY McCLAIN'S GIFT TO HIS MOTHER.

Princeton Minstrel sends a Remembrance Worth While and Realizes His Fond Hope of Many Years

Princeton, Ind.—A letter came Thursday to Mrs. Maggie McClain, of North Gibson street, one of Princeton's most respected colored women, that would warm the heart of any mother—a gift of $1,300 from her son, Billy McClain, well-known Princeton man, who for years was known in the theatrical world as the king of colored minstrelsy, but who for three years has been out of the show business and has been following the fight game. To Mrs. McClain, who takes her good fortune calmly, but most gratefully, the message that accompanies the notice of the money placed to her credit is even more valued than the gift itself, and shows a tender solicitude that all acquainted with Billy McClain must know is genuine. Billy is now in Australia, but is soon to start for home, after an absence of eleven years, most of which time has been spent in Europe. He has been in Australia since last August.

Here is Billy's greeting to his old mother:

Sydney, Australia, Jan. 1, 1912.

Dear Mother: Writing you today will say this is one of the happiest moments of my life. I have done what I have longed for all my life, prayed for and asked you and others that wished me well to do the same, and I thank everybody, for God has heard our prayers. I have this day sent you $1,300 through the Merchants National Bank of Indianapolis, Ind., to be placed to your credit on interest for six months at the best rate of interest, the principal not to be drawn on.

I have worked hard for it and it has always been my ambition to place you beyond work and worry, and God has let me live to do it, and as soon as I get home I will buy you a nice little home anywhere you like. You know I own two lots in the New York suburbs that I can build on if you like it there, and then there is always a chance to buy a farm and raise chickens and make the place pay for itself, or you could live in Indianapolis. But just continue as you are until I come. Taking it all in all, I think Princeton is the best place of all, but I don't care where you live, so you are comfortable, or what you do; I want to please you.

Now, don't get excited, just take it easy. It is a long time coming, but it is your turn now.

From your son who is always thinking of his mother,

BILLY McCLAIN.

"A better boy to his mother never lived than my Billy," said Mrs. McClain. "No matter how far away he gets, or how long he stays, he always lets me hear from him regularly, and he's never failed to send me money when he had it. Yes, sir, I certainly will be glad to see my boy when he comes."

Billy McClain is about 45 years of age, and has been on the stage since early youth, until three years ago when he decided to try the fighting business awhile as a trainer and manager. He was with Sam Langford in England and managed Sam's fight there not long ago. Langford is an aspirant to Jack Johnson's belt. Billy went to Australia with Langford, and is now associated with Sam McVea, the French Negro, who is the idol of France, and who at the present time is in Australia preparing for a fight. McVea is touted as a possible challenger of the winner of the coming Johnson-Flynn fight.

Billy's Princeton friends—and they are legion among both colored and white citizens—will welcome him home when he comes.

PRINCETON, IND.

Mrs. J. H. Turner, one of our leading seamstresses, was employed in Evansville last week....The Rev. J. W. Caldwelf, of Kentucky, will begin a series of meetings at Bethel A. M. E. church next Sunday....Hon. A. P. Twineham, of this city, delivered the principal address at the Lincoln anniversary exercises at the Lincoln high school last Monday afternoon. It was highly pleasing to all....The pupils of the Prince street school will render a play and Washington exercises at the Lincoln building, Thursday evening, February 22....The ladies of the Household of Ruth will have a leap year social in the basement of the Olive Branch Baptist church on the evening of February 24....Bethel A. M. E. church has been neatly and substantially repaired by the ladies of the Clover Leaf Club.....The valentine social by the K. of P. boys was a great success Wednesday night. Grand Chancellor E. G. Tidrington, of Evansville, gave an excellent talk on the new Pythian bank, which is soon to be opened in Indianapolis. John Tyler John Neely and Phil Topkins managed the affair.

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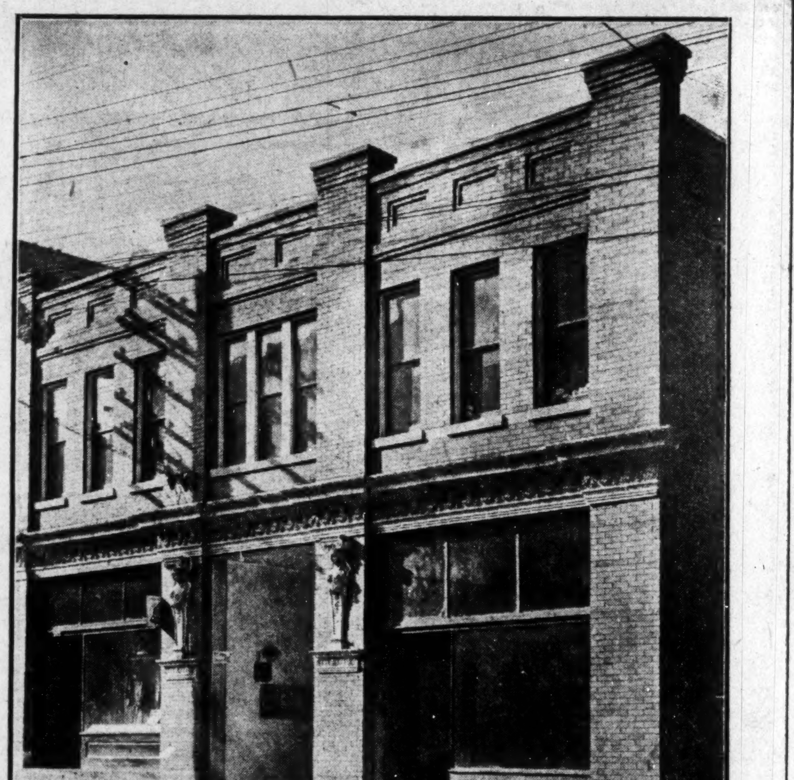

THE MAJESTIC THEATER.

Front View of Nashville's first real Negro Opera House, located on Cedar street, between Fourth and Fifth Avenues, North.

Mr. A. N. Johnson, an enterprising citizen of Nashville, Tenn., has brought about the dream of years by way of a beautiful commodious play-house answering the needs of patrons and performers. Everything has been done to make the new theater, The Majestic, what it ought to be. The finishing touch was the ordering of an asbestos curtain and scenery from Chicago, costing $1,000.

In speaking of the new venture, the Nashville Globe said recently:

"Speculation as to the success of the theater is a matter of yesterday. Success seems to be assured for just as the Negroes of Nashville have supported two strong banking institutions, kept alive the educational enthusiasm that has been the means of Nashville maintaining her lead as an educational center, and as through their support and religious zeal they have made Nashville the religious publishing center of the United States, and as she is rightfully the home, or at least the mother, of denominational pride, just so she will make a success as a theater center.

"When Mr. A. N. Johnson, the promoter and proprietor of the Majestic theater, was seen as he alighted from the train on his return from Chicago, he stated that he had succeeded in getting in touch with booking agencies in the Windy City, by which he had secured the booking of some of the best shows on the road. The shows will come to Louisville, and from Louisville to this city, taking their choice from Nashville to Memphis, Birmingham or Atlanta. The first big attraction secured for the season was the Smart Set, a show that needs no introduction, and in all probability the Black Patti Troubadours will follow this.

"The Majestic theater is a two-story, presed brick, glass front, structure, built upon the modern office-building style, with two up-to-date business establishments domiciled on the first floor. The front of the theater entrance shows up in an imposing way—leading back into the building in a northerly direction, and extending to the depth of 170 feet—a magnificent auditorium, which will serve as the first floor and parquet of the theater proper. Two boxes, one on each side of the stage, with splendid entrances and exits, and folding chairs enabling the floor to be used for receptions and banquets, and makes up the first story. The balcony has a splendid incline where stationary cushion chairs are to be used for the benefit of theatergoers; there are also two boxes on this floor. Ventilation all over the ceiling by which a constant suction of air in warm weather will guarantee a cool and pleasant auditorium is also assured.

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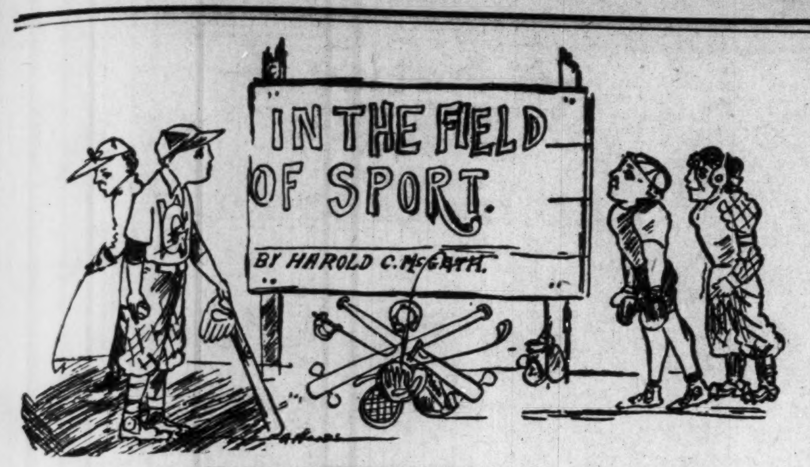
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH

That $20,000 respectively by Flynn's manager and Johnson has been posted, according to the latest information.

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Sydney, Australia.—Sam Langford, the Boston tar baby and Jim Barry, the American heavyweight, fought a hard battle of twenty rounds here February 12. Langford was awarded the decision on points at the end of the battle. The Negro with his cleverness discounted the rushes of his white opponent and had a clean margin.

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Sydney, Australia.—Sam McVea, the California pugilist and heavyweight champion of Australia, has signed articles for a match with James Barry, the Chicago heavyweight, to be fought on March 9, and also for a match with Sam Langford, the Nova Scotia and Boston pugilist, and heavyweight champion of England, to be fought on Easter Monday, April 8. Langford got the decision over Barry yesterday.

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Los Angeles.—Jim Jeffrier again sniffed the smoke of battle for a few minutes last week, when he jumped into the ring togs and went a few rounds with "Brother Jack." James was not engaged in the laborious undertaking of again "coming back." He was mauling his brother solely for the benefit of the moving picture machine, which Tom Jones had trained on the scene. Jones is now engaged in "canning" all the white champions for use around the moving picture circuit.

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The Memphis Tigers are under a new management this season. The new managers will try and make it interesting for all visiting clubs that come to Memphis. They mean to give the home fans a good run for their money. The Tigers are headed by Mr. Jas. Calloway as owner, and Mr. W. S. Hunt as business manager. The Tigers will open their season the first Sunday in April. All clubs take notice and get busy with Mr. Hunt for dates. Yours for business, W. S. Hunt, and Jas. Calloway, 184 Vance avenue, Memphis, Tenn

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Secret service agents last week at Chicago raided the home of Jack Johnson, the Negro pugilist champion, and seized a $50,000 diamond necklace which, it is charged, was smuggled into this country. It is said that if Johnson redeems the necklace he will have to pay $12,000 in duty and penalties. According to the government officials, Johnson attempted to reach a settlement with the government, and oered $1,000 for the release of the jewels. This was refused. No criminal charge has been made against the colored champion.

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Palm Beach, Fla.—The opening game of the season was played here on Friday, the 20th ulto., before an audience numbering over 2,000 persons. Being the initial game many were in doubt as to the form of the players, but with the warm-up preliminaries, the crowd sat back with expectancy and finally saw one of the most gruelling contests ever played on Palm Beach soil. The game lasted ten innings and every one who saw it went home to their hotel feeling happy—excepting those who had hoped for the Poinciana to win. Breakers, 5; Poincianas, 4.

CUBA'S "BLACK MATHEWSON."

A Colored Star Pitcher—Jose Mendez Who Has Defeated Best of Our Big League Teams and Works Wonders on Diamond.

Mendez's complete record since 1908, his first season in baseball, is as follows: In 1908, his first season, Mendez pitched seven games in the regular Cuban league season and won them all; pitched three games against the Brooklyn Royal iants in the United States and won all three, pitched two against the Cincinnati National league team and shut the mout in both games, and pitched two against Key West, both of which he won. Giving Mendez a clean slate for his first season, 1908, of fourteen games won and none lost, an average of 1,000, and two of these games were against a team of our big leaguers and three others were against one of our strongest semi-pro teams.

In 1909 Mendez won 18 and lost 8, one of his victories being over the Detroit American league team, one from the All-Star team of the National and American league players, and one from the Indianapolis American Association team. In 1910 he did all his pitching against teams from "the States," winning 3 and losing 0 to the Leland Giants; winning 2 and losing 0 against the Philadelphia Athletics, and losing 2 and tying 1 against Detroit. In 1911 he won 13 and lost 3, two of his victories being over the Philadelphia Nationals.

Mendez's chief asset in a pitching way is terrific speed with a fast breaking jump to the ball, which he mixes with a fast breaking curve, and excellent control and fine judgment in working the batsmen. Ball players from the States who have batted against Mendez or tried to, rather, assert that there is no pitcher in baseball today, barring possibly, Walter Johnson, who has as much "smoke" as this "Black Mathewson" of Cuba. The thing that causes the most wonderment among our players who have played in Cuba, however, is the wonderful ability of Mendez in fielding his position. He is remarkably fast on his feet and a suick starter, has a cool head and excellent judgment and can throw from any position like a rifle shot. Mendez plays the whole infield position when he is pitching, and it is almost impossible to la ydown a safe bunt against him or even sacrifice, as he will invariably get the ball in time to nail the advance man. His infield plays to this wonderful fielding ability of eMndez when he is pitching, too, by spreading closer to the foul line and leaving Mendez to plug up the holes in the center of the infield, so you will at once see how difficult it is to get base hits on the ground the day Mendez happens to be working.

Mendez's Career.

Joe Mendez is a Cuban Negro, and was born in Cardenas, a city of ten hours distant from Havana, on March 19, 1887. He worked as a cigar maker until he and others discovered that he had something that Cuban ball players couldn't hit with any great degree of success, when the Almendares team of the Cuban league grabbed him and he pitched his first real game of baseball for that team in February, 1908. He was taken on a tour of the United States with the All-Cuban team in the summer of 1908, and he performed so well against the strong semi-professional teams here that when the Cincinnati National league team inaugurated these annual winter invasions of Cuba in the fall of 1908, Mendez was selected to pitch the first game. What he did to the "Reds" in this game and also in the next one has already been told, and Mendez soon won fame on the island and came to be called the "Black Mathewson." Cubans will bet their heads off now any time Mendez opposes one of our big league teams, and they have always got a run for their money.

Mendez is 5 feet 10 inches in height and weighs but 152 pounds. The wonder is where he gets his terrific speed, but he has an easy delivery and pitches "from his heels up," and has never been known to have a sore arm. Owing to his marvelous fielding ability he works twice as hard as the average pitcher, even under the burning rays of a tropical sun. What a corking hot weather pitcher he would make up here if he could only be whitewashed.

One of Mendez's best assets is keeping his head under fire. He was never rattled in his life, and while having his bad days the same as any other pitcher has, he minimizes the effect of these bad days through his wonderful fielding ability and always keeping his head and knowing what to do with the ball when he got it. He has never been the author of a bonehead play.

Realizes Handicap of Color.

Mendez is known in Havana as a modest and well-behaved gentleman at all times, both on the field of play and oc, as he seems to apparently realize that his color bars hi mfrom many of the privileges accorded to the white baseball hero. While pitching, he is constantly smiling, showing his teeth in a broad grin, their whiteness forming a vivid contrast with his black skin. Every cent Mendez earns goes to the support of his mother, whom he can now afford to give every pleasure of the wealthy class of Cubans. Baseball affairs in Cuba are operated on the cooperative basis, the players dividing among themselves and the management the receipts of the games, the batteries getting a half share more than the other players. Mendez's share in these receipts for the month of November of this year was $584, as every time Mendez works down there they play to capacity, the fans in Havana, white as well as colored, idolizing their "Black Mathewson" much in the same way as New Yorkers idolize their white one.

It is one of the pathetic instances of life to see this Cuban Negro, possessing all the characteristics of a gentleman and an ability that would make him one of the great figures in a great pastime, qualities that would bring him world-wide fame and popularity and wealth, barred from reaping the full benefits of these qualifications through the misfortune of birth. Jose Mendez will always have to be content just to be Cuba's "Black Mathewson."—Jim Nasinm in Philadelphia Inquirer.

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REVIVAL OF THE HEAVIES—PREPARING TO UNDO JOHNSON.

Milwaukee.—Why there should be a scarcity of heavyweight boxers is an all-consuming question nowadays. The fact is, that during the past ten years promoters all over the country, with the possible erception of San Francisco, have been very shy of arranging matches between the big fellows, not that they would not draw, but because there seemed to be less opposition to the men in lighter classes and again—they were easier to handle. The favorite class seems to be the lightweights and most of the promoters were always favorable to contests of that kind.

The fact that promoters kept away from matching the big fellows brought about the downfall of the white race in the heavyweight division. There was no object for the big fellows to train and try to get to the front, and naturally they kept out of it entirely. However, since the defeat of James J. Jeffries by Jack Johnson, there has been a revival of interest among the big fellows and tournaments in various parts of the country are being held to bring out new "white hopes." It may be that some of them are unfit to engage in a boxing match, but at the same time it must be remembered that all the stars come from just such tournaments and it will not be surprising to find one white man among the lot who will be able to lower the colors of Jack Johnson.

They may call them "dubs" and the like, but these same "dubs" will improve as they go along and be able to give a good account of themselves later on. Practice makes perfect—not only in sports but in other lines of business, and that is what the same heavyweights need to bring them to the front. It is noticeable that in New York the heavyweights are having a great run and Al Palzer, who has been developed in these tournaments, looks as though he might prove to be a really good man.

Even in England, France and Australia they are holding heavyweight tournaments and it is bound to result in the development of some good, big boxers. Bombadier Wells has been developed in England, and he is by no means a "dub" on the contrary, he has a very promising future if his performances of the past six months are to be taken as a criterion It is a good bet that within two years the heavyweight title will be back in the hands of the white man and will require more than another Jack Johnson to take it away from him.—By T. S. Andrews.

BELIEVES BLACK BOXERS ARE BEST.

H. C. B. Fry, publisher of the new Fry's Magazine, London, England, thinks that the Negro is constitutionally a better scrapper than the Caucasian, and says:

We in England, have no anti-color feeling, and we do not excite ourselves much about Jack Johnson having beaten J. J. Jeffries in America; and as to the more recent boxing event at home, we do not take sentimental sides over Langford's defeat over Lang. But as a nation we have recently discovered out latent and deep-rooted interest in the ring—which I, for my part, consider a wholesome interest—and we do not much like not having a man who is either champion of the world or thereabouts. One of our own blood, I mean—a white man.

I did not see the Langford-Lang fight, but I have met dozens of men who did, and they saw an exhibition of eminent superiority on the part of the colored man. One of them came away with the settled conviction that it is all U-P with the white man against the colored man in boxing. He tells me that he made up his mind (and he has seen much fighting) that the black man has it over the white man in two vital points—quickness and nervous insensibility. Quickness, of course, means hitting power, not only in frequency, but in force, for speed is the main component in the force of a blow, and nervous insensibility means natural capacity for not being affected by punishment. Other things being equal, the man who can hit harder than his opponent, and be less affected by the blows he receives must in general be the winenr.

Few people recognize what quickness in athletics means, and that in many forms of athletics it is what they miscall strength. This is particularly noticeable in cricket. Indian, Malay and West Indian Negro, All three were quite distinctly quicker with a cricket bat than any white anm I have ever seen. The Indian was the quickest, the Malay and the West Indian Negro about equal. But we must remember that the Indian is quite closely allied by distant descent with the same forefathers. The Negro is of a different stock.

"As to nervous insensibility, I doubt whether the best white man is inferior by race to the best Negro in natural endurance under punishment; and I am strongly of the opinion that he is superior in the will-made endurance we call pluck. But I have seen some remarkable examples of the physical endurance of the black man. I saw a Kaffir in the Aranskel district in South Africa, with his foot literally cut in half, and calmly hobbling off, after casually tying it up with a rag. He reminded me of a feline animal—his insensibility was inhuman—he hadn't even winced. It is, of course, a curious fact, that one black man will survive wounds that would kill five white men.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

(By A. C. Oglesby.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. W. M. McKnight, head waiter at the Baltimore hotel, is on the sick list at present. He has been confined to his bed over a week, but he is improving at this writing. Mr. McKnight is a high Mason and K. of P., and is well thought of by all the guests of the Baltimore, who ask about him every day. He is one of the race men who truly has the interests of the race at heart. We wish him a very speedy recovery....Mr. H. Davis, who lives with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Vaughnes, 1822 East Tenth street, has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, but is some better....On Thursday night, February 8, company L, of the uniform rank, of the K. of P., took in five new members. They were A. C. Oglesby, Lynn Wilson, S. D. Oliver, E. L. Bradbury, Company L is the strongest company in Missouri. Major Knox is striving hard to make it the leading company in the United States, and of course, that will mean the world. The company is working hard now, getting ready for the annual encampment, which will be held in St. Louis this year....One of the latest victories that has been won by the race was won Wednesday night, the 7th inst., when Prof. G. N. Gresham, principal of the Lincoln high school, spoke at one of Kansas City's most exclusive churches, namely, the Linwood Boulevard Christian church, when the pastor, the Rev. Burris A. Jenkins, announced that Prof. Gresham would speak there Wednesday night, quite a protest was made by many of the old members of the church. Why, they thought it just awful to tolerate for a moment the very idea of a Negro talking at a prayer meeting. But the pastor informed them that he was a southern man and that he was always in sympathy with those of the race who were trying to uplift their race. So all of those who did not wish to hear the professor, could kindly stay away. The church was packed when he spoke. To show the feeling that does exist here and how prejudiced the newspapers are toward the colored people, one of the leading papers and the one that seems the fairest toward, us wrote an account of it and the headlines were: "Negro (with a little n) in a Boulevard Church," just as though he was a dog or some wild animal....Oh, if we could educate our people to read our papers. In them you will find all the good things that the race is doing. The only time, as a rule, when the Negro can find a place on the front page of a white paper is when he has stolen a chicken or watermelon, or cut some one with a razor or raped or supposed to have raped some white woman. Then he can have the most conspicuous place, and red letters for a headline. How long will you stand for these things; haven't you any feelings. I venture to say that there is not a white paper in any city that has not more colored subscribers than The Freeman has. Oh! my people! Until you wake up to these conditions and support your own papers and other business enterprises, we will always be ilke the country dog that comes to town, kicked around by every one. Our papers should be our looking glass. We look in a looking glass to see how well we look. If we were sure that we look as well in the morning as we did ere we went to bed, why who would care anything about a looking glass, but when you get up you wonder if your tie is properly adjusted, or if your hair is parted straight. Therefore you are brought face to face with the mirror. Just as you are anxious to have your glass in the morning to arrange your toilet, just so anxious should you be to get your colored newspapers each week and if two-thirds of our people supported our papers we would be able in a short time to have a paper twice a week and finally a daily paper would be possible....Mr. Jim Willis, of Salt Lake City, Utah, formerly head waiter of the Wilson hotel in that city, is at the Baltimore. Mr. Willis lived hrre about ten years ago and was highly respected by al who knew him.

CELERY CITY NEWS—A NEW PLAYHOUSE.

SANFORD, FLA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The sun is still shining bright in the Celery City, although we had a few cold days last week, everything is warm and bright once more. Everybody is working hard with their celery crops as it is near shipping time. Mr. W. C. Steward, Jim Lindsey and R. McPherson are among the first to ship. Celery is good this season and prices are good....We were visited by A. G. Allen's minstrel and Prof. Eph. Williams' troubadours. Both shows were good and largely attended....Clarence Steward was busy shaking hands with friends on both tricks and they all spent happy moments together....Messrs. Albert Gramling, Seb. Walden, G. H. Graham and E. D. Walden were in Orlando, last week, attending the county fair......Charlie Martin is still ringing up the ball at his pool room on Sanford avenue....Mr. W. C. Steward and wife are in Tampa this week, visiting his sister, Mrs. Rosa Pride. They will stop in Lakeland and Orlando on their way back....Clarence Steward, a home boy, after traveling with some of the best colored shows through the South and East, has come here to open a theater and he will soon have a nice little playhouse. He has taken charge of the Gate City band as leader, and he is bringing them to the front on some nice music. The roster of the band is as follows: Clarence Steward, Bb cornet, leader; W. C. Martin, solo cornet; Cody Dosey, solo cornet; Joe Reed and Louis McFarlan, alto; Joe Miller and Levi Knight, trombones; Ben Clark, baritone; Sam Portlock, bass; Roy Jones and James Martin, drums...The I. O. of T. B. G. Club met this week and it is planning to do great things. They will have a No. 1 gymnasium at the club room. This is one of the swell clubs and is the strongest in the South....Rev. Dr. Greegs, the National Baptist speaker, of Nashville, Tenn., was in the city and gave an address to be long remembered by the citizens of Sanford. His subject was "The One Thing That's Needed....The Young Ladies' Elite Social Club will give their leap year hop on February 23....Hopper Academy gave a three-night bazaar, beginning February 14, lasting through to February 17. Prof. J. N. Crooms, principal. The Misses Fannie B. Reed, Fannie E. Eaverly, Geneva E. Steward will entertain the Young Ladies' Social Elite Club and the Young Men's I. O. of T. B. G. Club next Tuesday night, February 13, at a valentine heart-matching party at the residence of Miss Geneva Steward, 619 Pine street..Henry Moore has a nice lunch counter on Sanford avenue, and he is fixing some nice sandwiches....Col. Austin, of Tampa, made us a visit last week....Mrs. Julia Steward is still doing great work for the Afro-American insurance company. Her office is on Sanford avenue, and she will be glad to write you up. She is assisted by Mrs. Mary Pugh and Mrs. Sallie Jackson....Mr. Brock and Kid Hoggi are still on the avenue, cutting cloth....Frank Blare and C. C. Lomax are expecting to have a strong baseball club this season....One of the cars of the Sanford Traction Company was destroyed by fire on the 8th, but everybody escaped injury....G. H. Graham and Old Mike are still at the table....The Freeman is late in arriving at Sanford, but found to be one of the best papers printed. Everybody should read The Freeman. You can find The Freeman on sale by Clarence Steward, 619 Pine street.

MEDSTEAD, SASK.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

We are still breathing pure, fresh and unadulterated air. There are few of us in this immediate vicinity but we are in good spirits and well-to-do. There are only four colored families in this district, but further west you can count them by the scores. The four families who are located here have each their 160 acres and very comfortable houses and stock in various propositions. Our white neighbors are very kind and sociable. In all deliberations we take an active part and are welcomed. Everything in common, such as churches, schools and all places of public. We are proud to say no line is drawn. The few colored settlers which we mentioned came from the States, not as beggars, but as well-fixed people, and now by our coming in touch with others who did not know much of the colored man, has made them proud of our association and we of theirs. In our next letter we shall give our friends more details of our future hopefulness.

Looking forward to the annual spring number and baseball edition of The Freeman.

COMPLAINT TO QUIET TITLE.

State of Indiana, Marion County, ss:
In the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana.
No. 20922.

Union Trust Company, guardian of Mary E. Selzer, insane, vs. Henry J. C. Toellner et al.

Complaint, To Quiet Title.

Be it known, that on the 1st day of February, 1912, the above named plaintiff, by its attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Marion County, in the State of Indiana, its complaint against the above named defendants, Henry J. C. Toellner et al., and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit showing that said defendants, Henry J. C. Toellner, ——— Toellner, his wife; Henry J. C. Toellner, deceased.. ——— Toellner, his wife, deceased; the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, next of kin, administrators, executors and legal representatives of Henry J. C. Toellner, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, next of kin, administrators, executors and legal representatives of ——— Toellner, deceased, wife of Henry J. C. Toellner; Frank McWhinney and Mattie McWhinney, his wife, Frank McWhinney, deceased, and Mattie McWhinney, his wife, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, next of kin, administrators, executors and legal representatives of Frank McWhinney, deceased, and the unknown heirs, devisees, legatees, next of kin, administrators, executors and legal representatives of Mattie McWhinney, deceased, wife of Frank McWhinney, residence is unknown, that said cause of action is to quiet title of real estate, and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendants to appear in said Court and answer or demur thereto on the 10th day of April, 1912.

Now, therefore, by order of said Court, said defendants last above named are hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against them and that unless they appear and answer or demur thereto at the calling of said cause on the 10th day of April, 1912, the same being the 9th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in April, 1912, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in their absence.

JOHN RAUCH,
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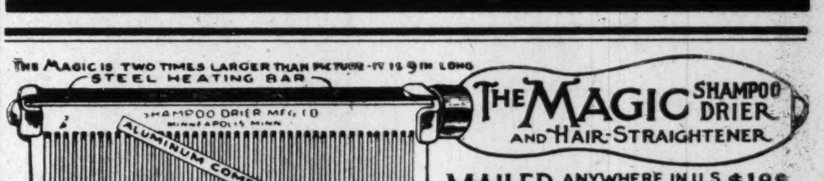
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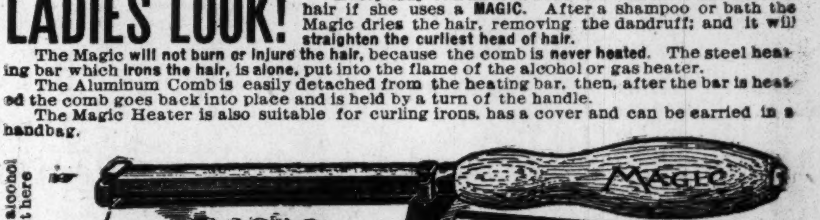

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CITY AND VICINITY.

Mrs. John Roney died last Tuesday night at her home, 918 Fayette street.

Mr. George Abrams has returned from a six weeks' stay at Hot Springs, Ark.

A few young ladies entertained Wednesday evening at the residence of Miss Lillian Morris.

The Keneida Whist Club was entertained by Mrs. Sam Bennett in North West street last Friday.

Rev. Dr. Louis G. Jordan, of Louisville, Ky., secretary of the Baptist foreign missions, was in the city last Sunday.

The Ladies' Auxilliary of Lincoln Hospital will have a prize whist and dance at the Dumas Club Monday evening.

Mrs. Robert Hatch entertained the Frau Frau Club Thursday afternoon. Quite a number of guests were present.

Miss Julia Morton will entertain the Regina Embroidery Club Thursday evening at her residence, No. 437 North Senate avenue.

Mr. Eldridge McMath and Miss Ruth Poole, were quietly married Monday evening, February 18, at the home of the bride's mother on Yandes street.

Miss Christiana Morton was hostess for the Regina Embroidery Club Thursday February 22. The club will meet with Miss Julia Morton next Thursday.

Rev. L. G. Jordan, of Louisville, national secretary of Foreign Missions, under the supervision of the Baptist Association, spent Sunday in this city, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Brown.

Dr. M. C. B. Mason, the secretary of the Freedmen's Aid and Southern Educational society, was in the city last Sunday. He spoke at Simpson chapel Sunday afternoon and again at Fortville in the evening. The mention of his name drew a good audience.

Miss Carrie Washington, now playing vaudeville, entertained at dinner at the residence of Mrs. Van Dyke, in Vermont street, Tuesday evening, Mrs. Lula Coates, Mrs. Sue Grundy, Mrs. Allen and Patterson, of the famous Watermelon Trust, and Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Knox.

Rev. Chas. Jones, of Scott's Chapel M. E. Church, celebrated his fortieth year in the Christian ministry, during which time he has had success, at his church last Sunday evening. He has built a number of churches including Scott's Chapel. Mr. Geo. L. Knox was among those that made remarks complimentary of Rev. oJnes' faithfulness.

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Drake and West Streets—Rev. J. L. Thompson, Pastor.

Sunday will be combination day. Rev. F. Samuels, of St. Louis, will preach at 3 p. m. Special service Wednesday night.

NEGRO SOLDIER BOY IS KILLED IN PHILIPPINES.

Charles Sanders, colored, 610 East Washington street, has received word from Adj. Gen. H. T. McCain, that his son, George S. Sanders, private, company G, Twenty-fourth infantry, died in the Philippine Islands of a knife wound.

The information was cabled by the commanding officer to the war department, which notified Mr. Sanders. Details will not be forthcoming until the commanding officer of the regiment makes his report to the war department. The dead man had two brothers in the same regiment, Sergt. Maj. Chester Sanders, who has seen thirten years of service, and Harry Sanders, a private.

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The Rev. M. C. B. Mason, D. D., secretary of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the M. E. Church, Cincinnati, was the guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Tate, 628 West Tenth street, last Sunday. Dr. Mason spoke on "The Ministry the Most Desirable of Callings." The address was a great one and the entire audience was electrified by his eloquence.

The dollar rally was very encouraging and it will be continued over Sunday, the 25th. The Rev. Shockley, McCoomer and the pastor each delivered able sermons duirng the day. Collections, $139.46.

In addition to the regular services Sunday, at 3 p. m., the Junior eLague will have a special sermon by Rev. Bryce, pastor of the Witherspoon Presbyterian church. Mrs. Velma Bessley, superintendent.

All persons wishing to join the Mission Study Class will report to the pastor Sunday. The text book will be "Daybreak in the Dark Continent."

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Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

All persons whose subscriptions are unpaid to the building fund of the Colored Men's Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association should make every effort possible to pay the same at once, as it is the desire of the committee to begin building operations as soon as the weather will permit. This can only be done by the money being paid in promptly, so that the committee may have a sufficient amount in hand to keep operations going when once started. The committee of management is very desirous that under no circumstances shall the work be retarded on account of non-payment of subscriptions by the colored people. Indianapolis has the opportunity of demonstrating the race loyalty and pride that she has so often boasted of and all are urged at this time to make their payments promptly. Payments should be made at the Colored Y. M. C. A. building, corner of North and California streets.

All men are urged to be present at the "Monster Meeting" on next Sunday, which will be held at the building. Good speakers are provided each Sunday and interesting programs are arranged. Program begins promptly at 3 p. m., and is for men only.

Many men are taking advantage of the special rates for membership which are open for the rest of this month. Anybody desiring to join the association, should do so at once and take out their membership, which is still $2.00.

The men of the "gym" are getting ready for the annua lbasketball tournament, and team practice is now being indulged in. "Gym" classes are being held regularly every Monday and Thursday evenings.

The Tuesday night Bible Class continues to attract men and is open to all men. Class session from 7 to 8 p. m., and supper at 6:30 p. m.

Boys' Bible Class is held every Friday at 8 o'clock. All boys from 12 to 18 years of age are invited to attend.

COLUMBIA, MO., NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Many now believe there is a "groundhog day"....The social center work started some time ago among the white people of Columbia, has been taken up by the Negroes and promises to do the good intended....A union reival being carried on by the two Negro Methodist churches is growing interesting and a great harvest is looked for. This week they will be carried on at the St. Paul A. M. E. church....Miss Erma Bruce, assistant in the high school, left Thursday for her home. Principal Cox has secured the services of a young lady from Lincoln Institute until the newly elected teacher arrives in March....The remains of Mrs. Bettie Colbert, who died in Chicago, arrived Sunday, and were taken to Log Providence for burial....Principal H. L. Cox is having an office made at Douglass school......St. Paul Lodge, No. 12, is growing, Messrs. James and Arthur Strawn, Jr., being the latest to desire the mysteries of Masonry....Mr. E. E. Lane has begun the shoe repairing business.... Helen Moseley is quite sick again. She has been in poor health for some time.. ..Misses Corita Edwards and Henrietta Simpson are planning a visit to California next summer......Miss Alma Williams, who was substitute teacher in Douglass school, has been elected to fill the vacancy caused by the hesignation of Mrs. J. M. Burnette....Misses Elizabeth and Mary Harris gave a leap year ball at the K. of P. hall Thursday night. The hall was artistically decorated to represent the four seasons of the year....Miss Media Thomas is on the sick list, and Mr. C. Fisher is wearing a long face......Mr. Diggs Williams is quite sick at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Williams on Pendleton street....Two large trees, which have long graced the grounds of Douglass school, were felled the 15th by Messrs. Felton Woods and Matthew Douglass. The trees were dead and might have fallen at any time, probably injuring some playful children...John Henry Carter, an exceptionally fine young man of this community, and a graduate of Douglass high school in 1911, died in the Perry sanitarium at Kansas City, Mo., the 15th inst., of spinal meningitis. Deceased was a member of the local order of the K. of P., and will probably be buried under the auspices of the order in Kansas City, Mo......Mrs. E. Benton has been quite sick this week....Lincoln's birthday was commemorated Monday evening at St. Paul hall. The evening was spent pleasantly, as the program was very entertaining....A number of the lads and lassies of Douglass school were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lampkin, by the Misses Lampkin, on the 14th...The Might Missionary entertained the 15th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Douglass. Only a few attended this social, as there was a show at the opera house, two revival meetings, a literary meeting and a moving picture show all of which our people had opportunity to attend....Rev. J. E. Edwards, pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. church, received a telegram calling him to Topeka, Kans., to preach the funeral of a young man, whose father is a very dear friend of the Reverend.... Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Douglass are the proud parents of a grand-daughter, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Kansas City, Mo.....Prof. J. Z. Moseley, agent for the Home Protective Association, when not actively engaged in teaching, is distributing papers and calendars to members of his council.....Mrs. Louella S. Moseley read a paper to the missionery society on February 15, and was highly complimented for her effort....Mr. Floyd Finney is playing the snare drum for the band-boys and the nickleodeon....Miss Fliroda Pitts was somewhat indisposed the past week and was out of school a few days....Mr. Dennis Ellis has eturned from Kansas City, Mo., and St. Joseph, and is now working for the L. W. Berry grocery firm ....Mr. Columbus Robnett was in town the 17th to look after his sons who are atteding Fred Douglass school......Miss Freeman, a member of the graduating class of Lincoln Institute, is substituting at Douglass school until the teacher arrives to take up the regular work. We are glad Lincoln Institute can meet our demands and trust she might continue to raise her standard of education....Mrs. Lizzie Williams and Miss Eva Estes are able to be up and out again after a severe attack of lagrippe.

DALLAS, TEXAS.

Improvements by the Race—Penny Bank Paying Its Stockholders—White and Black Unite on Punishing the Will-Not-Workers Here.

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Pride of the West Lodge, K. of P., in Dallas, Texas, is boasting of being the only Pythian lodge in the country having a membership of oer two hundred active and energetic men who are doing something to build up the order here. They initiated twelve new members last Wednesday night....It seems gratifying to one and all to enjoy these pleasant days, although very cold yet, at times....Mr. Roy Lucus has been laid up for several days but is now able to be up and about ....Mr. Willie Spencer, who has been paralized for several years, died last Saturday, and was buried Monday, under the auspices of Comet Lodge of Odd Fellows, of which he had been a member for several years. The members and relatives bow to Him who knowest best. Touching resolutions were read and several floral offerings were presented by intimate friends who accompanied the remains to Woodlawn cemetery....The members and friends of Evening Chapel C. M. E. church stormed their pastor, Rev. A. K. Hawkins, with an abundance of eatables the past week. Rev. Hawkins has been ill for several weeks....When you want pictures made where the price and work is right, call at Prof. Lucio Harper's gallery, 1716 Allen street..Miss Ula Jones returned to Ammorila, after a few weeks stay here visiting relatives and friends..The many friends of Mr. D. Ware are very glad to see him at home so much improved from his extended visit in Clarksville...Everybody wants the individuals who can serve to the best advantage in the work to be done in every capacity. So it's up to the Negroes to more than make good and be on the job at all times. The crisis is just beginning. We sound this warning because of the dull times and scarcity of jobs to now be had and money to be made. Idleness will not be tolerated in this city in the future as it has been in the past, so the hot pan crowd had better be on the lookout. This means for you and your kind to get busy and stay busy, as "vags" are being assigned daily to the street and county gangs, and the working man can go to and from work and not be held up for his week's earnings, as it is being proven in the courts that the people are becoming alarmed at the conditions and are giving their every assistance, both white and black, and the results are gratifying..Mr. Douglass Brandon was called to Baton Rouge, La., the past week to attend the funeral of his mother....New businesses opened recently: The Chautauqua cafe, corner Central avenue and San Jacinto street; Scott Gilmore and Lemmon are head knockers;; Drake and Janes, tailors and cleaners, good dressers' headquarters, 2404 Live Oak street; the Park cafe is always ready to serve you, E. M. Salome, Proprietor, 401 North Central avenue; Dan's shining parlor is the place to geet good work, 706 North Central avenue....Little Thelma, Dudley and a host of her little friends, celebrated at the residence of her parents, 2200 Clark street, Thursday, last, from 3 to 5 p. m., it being her birthday and they had full charge. Several brought tokens of remembrance, and a most jolly time was had....The funeral services of Prof. W. W. Frazier were held at St. John's Baptist church, corner Cochran and Allen streets, last Sunday. Rev. C. L. McPherson, pastor, assisted by several leading divines, officiated. The remains were in charge of the Knights and Daughters of Tabor, Knights of Pythias and Odd Fellows. Touching resolutions were read by them and the various church departments and city schools, etc. The floral offerings were beautiful. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery. We sympathize with the family and friends....Colored helpers to the plumbers organized to better their conditions. There are more than thirty in the organization now and more than a hundred more in the city. The officers are as follows: Chas. Best, president; Joe Sandlin, vice president; S. D. Rasboro, corresponding secretary; Bert Nickerson, financial secretary; Jack Turner, treasurer; H. Marshall, sergeant at arms; W. L. Hayden, inner guard; G. Leonard, outer guard; James W. Overstreet, chaplain. The organization will affiliate with all labor organizations in the union.... The latest and newest news is that the saloon porters are trying to form themselves into some kind of an organization. They are meeting and working on the plans. We wish them success. In union there is strength, don't you know....We not some improvements now under construction by members of the race in the various colored sections of the city. We also notice many rickety shacks falling to pieces because they are vacant since the article published a few weeks ago....If you fail to read the paper, please don't stop paying. It is past due. Phone M605 or call Griffin, and when in the city stop at 800 Main street and get a copy..... The fire at the freight houses and offices looked dangerous Sunday afternoon, but the prompt response of the entire fire fighting department soon had it under control and they were heartily praised for their heroic work. The loss to the warehouse was great but heavily insured.

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CENTRALIA, ILL.

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Mrs. M. Porter, primary teacher at Lincoln school, is on the sick list....Mrs. L. C. Harding is substituting for Mrs. Porter....The Leap Year supper at the Second Baptist church, last Saturday, the 17th, was a grand success. They raised about $60.00....The Sunday school at the Second Baptist church is on the boom. A very large number is now attending. The financial condition is growing....Mr. and Mrs. have very sick daughter at his home in Owensboro, Ky. He will make a flying trip to see her soon....Mr. M. Porter entertained the Women's Club last Tuesday, the 15th. They reported a splendid time. Some of the old residenters and gentlemen had to put their Sunday-go to- meeting clothes on, when the ladies called for their company to the Leap Year supper....Mr. Cliff Bidwell has just arrived here from Paducah, Ky., where he has been visiting his homeNNMrs. Mosley is on the sick list.....The M. S. C. club met at the usual time, at the residence of Mr. J. Skinner, and after transacting a portion of their business the club was invited to the dining room and a splendid three-course luncheon was served by the hostess. There was also read by Mr. E. Simpson entitled "The Time Will Come." The boys all report a good time and are looking forward to do greater work in the future.....There are all nationalities working in the I. C. shops here now, another act has been shown that a friend in need is a friend indeed....A black man came from St. Louis, Mo., and asked for a job in the I. C. R. R. shop here. He was given a job but he was nearly bare footed, but a man by the name of John Dago, a Hungarian, and five others of his countrymen, bought the said black man a pair of shoes. It is doubtful whether the natives, black or white, would have done the same charitable act

Mr. John McKinney spent last week in the Windy City....Mrs. Grigsby lost a valuable cow last week....Miss Ethel Bunch is on the sick list..Mr. O. Hinds is still very ill....Mr. Clayton Arnold is down with the grippe....Miss M. Lee is cook at Mr. C. Moseley's restaurant. Mr. Moseley has many boarders who work in the Illinois Central railroad shops....Mr. Ed Simpson was on the sick list last week....The M. S. C. Club met at the residence of Mr. B. Brack Friday evenin, February 9, and after they had transacted their business the guests were invited into the dining room and a splendid three-course luncheon was served. They all report a good time, and all look forward to great success....The C. W. I. Club met at the home of Mrs. Laffored. The meeting was opened at the usual hour with fifteen members present. The vice president, Mrs. Harting, presided. After the usual routine of business, a very lively discussion was had on the following subjects: "Lynching," Women's Duty" and "Our Young." Many interesting thoughts were advanced, and every one seemed helped. After the discussion the hostess invited the members into her dining room. The table was heavily laden with good things to eat, and after enjoying ourselves, repaired to our homes, having spent a pleasant evening with the hostess. The club will meet at the home of Mrs. Anna Ferguson on February 15. Mrs. Mozelle Porter receiving....Mr. Little Glen Simpson is on the sick list.

ASHVILLE, N. C., Y. M. I. NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Association is progressing very nicely, although this has been one of the severest winters in years in this part of the country, the interest seems to be much on the increase. The young mens bible class, the night school and the Sunday Afternoon meetings are very largly attended. A vigorous membership campaign is at present being conducted and the men are enrolling right along. The campaign ends the first of March, when a supper will be served the winners, the losers serving.

There will be ten days of special meetings for men beginning the first Sunday in March. All of the city pastors have plerged there support anr co-operation. It is anticipated that this will be one of the greatest meetings ever held in the city.

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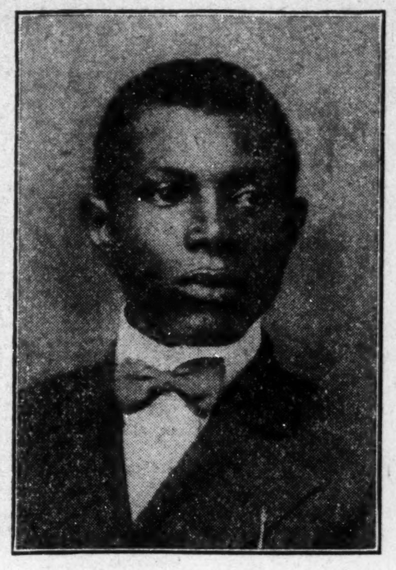

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